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HANKOW TROUBLE.

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Mr. Eugene Chen's Promise.

MARINES PELTED WITH BRICKBATS AT KIUKIANG.

Latest news from Hankow is that all is quiet in the British Concession but there is an atmosphere of uncertainty.

A British Legation official has gone to Hankow from Peking to make inquiry on the spot.

Mr. Eugene Chen has given an assurance from the Nationalist Government that foreigners have nothing to fear.

The British Concession at Kiukiang has been completely evacuated.

The naval landing party there underwent a trying ordeal, being pelted with brickbats by the crowds.

MR. CHEN'S WORD.

"You Have Nothing to Fear."

Hankow, Jan. 10.

At two separate conferences today with groups representative of the American and British business communities, Mr. Eugene Chen, the Nationalist Foreign Minister, gave a vigorous assurance that business interests here would be conserved, and stated inter alia: "I have the authority of my Government to say that you will have complete protection in safeguarding your interests. You have nothing to fear."

Mr. Chen said that Nationalist intervention in the British Concession was the result of serious circumstances which made vital necessary intervention to prevent the British Concession becoming a derelict area.—Reuter.

KIUKIANG TROUBLE.

Crowds Pelt Marines.

Shanghai, Jan. 10.

The stories of missionary refugees from Kiukiang show that the British naval landing parties at Kiukiang had to face a similar position to that faced by their comrades at Hankow.

For nearly two hours in attempting to prevent the mob from tearing down the barbed wire barricades they stood all kinds of insults, the crowds pelting them with brickbats. Three were slightly injured.—Reuter.

LYING REPORTS.

Cause Further Anti-British Demonstrations.

Shanghai, Jan. 10.

A message from Hankow dated January 9 states that the Council provisionally administering the British concession (consisting of three Chinese administrators already mentioned) have undertaken to preserve law and order.

The local senior authorities easily dispersed one meeting to-day. Outwardly, things are quiet. The general atmosphere is one of expectancy with regard to future events.

Though a rabidly anti-British feeling prevails in the native city and Wuchang, also Ichang and Shasi, the British Consul at Ichang has officially denied the local report that there were 65 Chinese civilian casualties at Hankow caused by British sailors firing.

A similar report at Shasi accepting the figure placed at 100 resulted in a big anti-British demonstration.

All posters in the British concession at Hankow have been removed. The Banks will not open to-morrow. Only a small amount of trade will take place.—Reuter.

LATEST POSITION.

Awaiting Developments.

Rugby, Jan. 9.

Latest news from Hankow last night states that the situation is calm, although there is an atmosphere of some uncertainty.

The Chinese authorities urge that business can now safely be resumed, but the foreign commercial community are apparently disposed to await developments and further evidence that order can be maintained.

Mr. O'Malley, Counsellor at the British Legation in Peking, is expected to reach Hankow to investigate the situation early this week.

At the smaller British Concession at Kiukiang, where menacing conditions existed in the middle

of last week, temporary evacuation was effected to avoid bloodshed and to give the Chinese authorities a chance to re-establish order.

United States residents also withdrew to a river gunboat.

Promises of No Looting.

The British Consul is flying his flag in a naval vessel standing by the Concession. He has received a written guarantee from the Chinese that no further looting shall take place in the Concession.

The English newspapers, commenting on the situation in the Yangtze Valley, regard it as the testing time for the Cantonese National Government by the result of which their policy can be accurately gauged.

The British communities and naval ratings are praised by all the newspapers for their extraordinary self-control in avoiding the use of firearms in the face of the extreme provocation to which they were subjected. The newspapers consider that their restraint has been an acute disappointment for the extremist elements which excited the Chinese mobs.—British Wireless Service.

NEWS THROUGH NAVY.

Atmosphere of Expectancy.

A message from Hankow to the local naval authorities, despatched last night, states that in accordance with the order of the three Chinese administrators who have formed themselves into a committee for "the preservation and maintenance" of the Concession, all anti-British posters have been taken down.

Large numbers of Chinese and a few agitators are still in the Concession. A meeting which was organised in the Concession yesterday was dispersed.

The Banks will not open on Monday (to-day) states the message and trade will be very small. The general atmosphere is one of expectancy.

THE HAND OF MOSCOW.

Sir Austen Chamberlain's Statement.

Questions in the House of Commons on the situation in China drew from Sir Austen Chamberlain an important statement on our relations with the Russian Government.

Answering Mr. Basil Peto (Cox, Barnstaple), who asked what degree of hostile action on the part of the Soviet to this country's trade and interests would be held to justify the Foreign Office in taking action to end the trade agreement with Russia, Sir Austen said:—

We should be justified on the facts, as they are known to us, in breaking it off now if we thought it expedient to do so, but the Government, after reviewing the whole situation and while reserving their freedom to act as and when they think British interests require, have not hitherto thought it desirable to take that course.

In reply to other questions, Sir Austen said that he had made representation on breaches of the agreement at every interview he had had with the representatives of the Soviet Government in this country.

Conservatives asked for a full debate on this question, but no definite promise was given.

AN AUSTRALIAN VIEW.

Hong Kong Professor Quoted.

Attempting to weigh Russia's influence in China, the "West

SHOP THEFTS.

Messrs. William Powell Robbed.

SYSTEMATIC STEALING.

Believed to be responsible for a systematic series of thefts from the stock of Messrs. William Powell, Ltd., a Chinese was arraigned before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with the theft of a silk sweater and two combs. A third charge, one of attempting to bribe a police officer, was also preferred.

Mrs. E. J. Dunnett attended on behalf of Messrs. Powell's, but was not called to give evidence. The accused foxi pleading "guilty" to each charge.

His Worship fined the accused \$75 or six weeks on each of the charges of larceny, and \$100 for two months on the bribery charge, the sentences of imprisonment to run consecutively in the event of the \$250 not being paid.

Australian notes that M. Tchitcherine, the Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs is credited with protesting that "the Soviet Government has no intention of interfering in China where nationalism had sprung from the people and was not inspired by Russia." But although it is exceedingly difficult as Professor Keeton of the University of Hong Kong, admits in an article in the latest number of the "Nineteenth Century," to discover where nationalism ends and Bolshevism begins, the evidence of Soviet propaganda, and of the presence of Soviet agents throughout China is convincing as to suggest that the Russian Foreign Minister protests too much. All the same it may be that the Soviet political faith, which is hostile to religion, to individualism and to the institution of the family, which the Chinese traditionally hold dear, will make no permanent impression on the nation. It may nevertheless be imposed upon the people by a powerful oligarchy as it has been in Russia. Nothing, however, is to be gained from refusing to recognise the Cantonese Government a course which if persisted in can only tend to enhance Soviet influence and from which the Powers cannot but depart if a negotiated settlement of China's grievances is to be facilitated and open conflict avoided.

TIED HANDS.

Britain and the Russia Agreement.

What is Europe doing to tackle the Bolshevik menace in the East? asks Edward E. Long, C.B.E., formerly Director of Eastern Propaganda, writing in the "Daily Mail." So far as I could gather, practically nothing. Under a treaty this country has bound itself not to engage in propaganda against Bolshevism, but surely the fact that the Bolsheviks although bound by the same treaty not to engage in propaganda against the British Empire are availing themselves of every opportunity of doing so should release us from our undertaking? Or are we to go on, trying indefinitely to hold our own in the East with tied hands?

This country had an excellent propaganda organisation in the East, but it was scrapped some years since—for economy's sake! For more money could have been saved by stopping some of the waste in Government departments, a good deal of which continues to-day. The loss to British trade and prestige in the East continues also, and surely if it pays the Bolsheviks to spend many millions a year in effecting this, it should pay us to spend something in self-defence?

THE BEST POLICY.

Patience and Forbearance.

While excitement in public increases about the situation on the Yangtze, official quarters here are increasingly concerned about much of the comment made in the British Press and in other non-official British quarters, writes the London correspondent of "Manchester Guardian." The fire-eaters who continue to criticise

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STEAMER PIRATED.

Local Coasting Vessel Seized.

"PASSENGERS" KIDNAPPED.

On a voyage from Hong Kong to the French Colony of Kwong-chow-wan, the local steamer "Wing Wo" (Chinese flag) has been pirated. From the meagre details available, it is evident that there was no struggle or loss of life. The gang shipped as "passengers" at Hong Kong and other "passengers" on board were forced away for ransom.

The first news was brought back by Captain R. Elridge of the British s.s. "Hydrangea" who saw the "Wing Wo" in Kwong-chow-wan. His report is that the vessel was pirated yesterday, off "St. John's" Island, and had now reached the French port safely.

The owners, the Yiu Kee S.S. Co. of No. 87, Connaught Road, West, have received a brief telegram which states:—

"About 9 p.m. on Jan. 5, pirates seized the vessel when, off Sam Nong, in the district of Heungshan. They were in charge of the vessel (which they looted) till 10 a.m. on Jan. 6. A number of 'passengers' were kidnapped by the pirates."

Except for one Chinese passenger who travelled by special permission of the Harbour Office—the "Wing Wo" not having a passenger licence—this boat carried no passengers, other than a number of men who accompany livestock shipments here from Kwong-chow-wan and, accordingly, return on the same boat under the category of supercargo.

The Yiu Kee Co. is of the opinion that the pirates disguised themselves and intermingled with the cowherds and pigherds, on board. Through long intercourse, it is hoped that the pirates can be traced as they must have got on board at Hong Kong by giving the name of some livestock dealer who, in turn, must be known to the steamer.

Crew Safe.

The "passengers" who were kidnapped are believed also to be livestock attendants as the Yiu Kee Co. has been assured that all the crew are safe, including the captain, Captain Lemos, a Portuguese subject.

On arrival at Kwong-chow-wan, the French authorities at once took charge. Nobody has been allowed to land, or to board the vessel, hence the absence of further information.

In the Harbour Office records, the number of the crew is given as 101. Such a large complement is hardly necessary for a steamer of 503 tons and this figure may include the supercargo, some of which are surmised to have been taken away for ransom.

The "Wing Wo" sailed Hong Kong for Kwong-chow-wan direct at 3 p.m. on Jan. 5, so that she was pirated the same evening, the gang remaining on board for thirteen hours.

She took away from Hong Kong 150 tons of general cargo and 3,100 cases of kerosine.

St. John's Island is best known as a leper settlement. It is situated on the coast of Kwangtung, about 100 miles south-west of Hong Kong, and is nearer this port than the half-way mark to Kwong-chow-wan, being about 80 miles from Macao.

That part of the mainland near St. John's Island is the district of Heungshan and Sam Nong may be the Chinese name of the place.

Kwong-chow-wan is a small port on the southern coast of Kwangtung province and a French colony. There is considerable trade with Hong Kong in livestock and other produce.

Four Held Up a Hundred!

Later. From the "Hydrangea" it is learned that the gang only consisted of four pirates who, in the confusion of the night, succeeded in intimidating the hundred or so on board, by making a pretence that there were more pirates.

It is alleged that the cook was the culprit and that he smuggled three men on board at Hong Kong to assist him.

On the morning of Jan. 6, when the "pirates" left, they also discharged some of the cargo in addition to taking away the men for ransom.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 1/11 7/16.

FLED TO CANTON?

Guild Officers As Pickets.

SOLICITOR'S ALLEGATION.

Plaintiffs in a Summary Court action this morning, the officials of the House Masons' Guild of Hong Kong, were subject to searching cross-examination respecting the objects of the guild and the conduct of the officials immediately the strike in Hong Kong broke out in July, 1925.

Mr. D. McCallum, who defended a member of the Guild from whom the officials claimed \$250, alleged that the plaintiffs had absconded with the money of the Guild when the strike broke out and had taken part in Canton as pickets and other officials in connection with the anti-Hong Kong boycott.

Mr. F. H. Loseby represented the officials of the Guild who claimed against the defendant in respect of subscriptions, taking the form of a percentage of contracts entered into by the defendant prior to the strike. It was explained that the Guild was formed over 40 years ago and had a membership of 3,000.

The object for which it was established, said Mr. Loseby, was to act for charitable purposes, among the members and provide for funeral expenses for deceased members. Plaintiffs were the Chairman, treasurer, and four members of the Guild. The funds of the Guild were derived almost entirely from one source, viz., the collection of a subscription from members proportionate to work done.

Method of Payment. There were two classes of members, explained Mr. Loseby, the foremen members who were responsible for the payment into the Guild funds of 2 per cent. of contracts; and the workers from whom the foremen collected 1.4 per cent. The defendant in the case was a foreman.

Chan Sin, the Chairman of the Guild, was called in evidence and spoke of the method of collection, how that members of the Guild inspected the progress of work done by members from time to time and reported to the book-keeper the proportion due in respect of work done. A statement was then made to the member in question and if he had any objection to the figures as given he made representations as a result of which the books might be re-adjusted. If he was not heard from, the figures were taken to be correct. All of the work in respect of subscription for which the defendant was in arrears was done prior to the strike.

Cross-examined, this witness said that he himself had been a member of the Guild since its formation 40 years ago. He was now 69 years of age. He had risen from the lowest to the highest position in the Guild. Witness denied that the Guild had only been formed five years ago. A Union of the same name working separately but in conjunction was formed five years ago.

Later, witness admitted that the Union and the Guild were one and the same thing and that the Guild had been absorbed in the Union.

Mr. McCallum put it to witness that if a member of the Guild did not finish a particular contract, then no other member of the Guild was allowed to complete the contract in question.

Witness replied that if the contractor was in arrears with payments then that was so.

What Happened in July? Asked by Mr. McCallum what funds stood at the account of the

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THIEF SENT TO JAIL.

For attempting to steal a roll of notes from a Chinese whom he observed leaving a money-changer's shop near the Central Market, a youth was sent to jail for six weeks with hard labour by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning.

WEATHER FORECAST.

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SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS, HONG KONG 8th January 1927.

CYMBEITHAS DEWI SANT, HONG KONG

(St David's Society, Hong Kong.)

THE President and Members of the Committee of the Society will be AT HOME to all members of the Society and their Welsh friends at the Chamber of Commerce Room, City High on TUESDAY, 11th January, 1927, 3.30-7.30 p.m.

G. S. HUGH-JONES, Acting Hon. Secretary, 9, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, 8th January, 1927.

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E. V. JESSEN, Superintendent, Hong Kong Station, Jan. 6, 1926.

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(Standard Time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich.)

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ENTRIES for the Forthcoming Races close on SATURDAY, 22nd January, 1927, at 3 p.m. and must be sent to the Secretary, c/o Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before this date. Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, Race Course, Hong Kong Club or Linstead & Davis. Hong Kong, 7th January, 1927.

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FOR THE KIDDIES.

ENJOYABLE PARTY AT NAVAL YARD.

The sail-loft of the Naval Yard was the scene of a delightful function on Saturday, when a large gathering of the members of the Naval Yard Recreation Club, their wives and children gathered for the children's annual party and distribution of gifts, etc. The commodious sail-loft which was gaily decorated with bunting and palms and illuminated by various coloured lights, was transformed into a children's fairland with aerial-railway, shutes, swings, aunt-sallies and other novelties that bring joy to the hearts of youngsters. No trouble was spared in order that the children should have a good time. Grown-ups, too, enjoyed the "fun of the fair" and sampled the various amusements equally with the children. The H.M.S. "Hawkins" dance orchestra, under the conductorship of Mr. G. W. Hooper, was in attendance, and discovered some lively selections at intervals during the afternoon. Among those present were Mrs. J. L. Pearson (wife of Commander Pearson, C.B., R.N.), Commander and Mrs. Phillips, Engr. Captain E. G. Pallot, D.S.O., Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gillingham, Rev. C. Hewitt, etc. The funny antics of Messrs. Grimster, Griffiths and Jacobson caused endless amusement, and as clowns they had a really busy time of it, for they were kept constantly on the move by the children who gave them no rest. Later, all the children sat down to a tempting tea provided by the Ladies' Committee (Messdames Budden, Boryer, Ursell, White, Gull and McGilly). It was an impressive sight to see all the happy smiling faces of the "Young Buds" doing justice to the good "eats" before them. The Committee must have felt amply compensated for their very considerable labours. After tea the children took up their seats for the great event of the day. Father Christmas (Commander C. H. Phillips) was due to arrive at 5.15 p.m. Owing to the recent disturbing events up North he arrived a few minutes late, by aeroplane, and in a pleasing tableau, pulled up outside Sail-Loft Villa, the very temporary residence of Mrs. J. L. Pearson. After the usual greetings, etc., Father Christmas called upon Mrs. Pearson to distribute to the children the enormous bag of gifts he had brought for them. When every child had received a gift, Mr. J. S. Gillingham (chairman) in the course of a humorous speech, referred to the unavoidable absence of Commander Pearson. This of course meant that a deal of "extra" work fell upon Mrs. Pearson. . . . but she was fully equal to it. It was fitting that her first intermingling with the Members and Children of the Dockyard Recreation Club, since her arrival in Hong Kong a little while ago, should be at the children's annual party. Mr. Gillingham went on to say that, although her husband "ran the Yard," she (Mrs. Pearson) was capable of running the "D.R.C." and the children (Loud Cheers). On behalf of the "D.R.C." the Chairman tendered heartiest thanks, and appreciation to all who had assisted to make this season's party a success. Messrs. Luck, Budden, Jefford, and Kennedy were the members responsible for rigging up the "Fairyland." The three hearty cheers called for Mrs. Pearson and Father Xmas were as loud as the young throats of the kiddies could make them, after which Miss Brenda Boryer, accompanied by several followers, presented a bouquet to Mrs. Pearson. After an hour or so's respite, a dance was held. The dance orchestra of the "Hawkins" again supplied the music, while Mr. Boryer carried out the duties of M.C. At 11.45 p.m. the festivities terminated, the assembly dispersing after all had spent a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

HOSPITAL WORK.

Dr. S. W. Tso, on behalf of the Chinese Ladies' Appeal Committee, begs to acknowledge with thanks the following generous donations in aid of The Alice Memorial & Affiliated Hospitals from the following Chinese ladies namely:— Mrs. Wu Ting-fong (Ho Mul-ling) \$1,000.00 Mrs. Kwok Siu-lau (Ho Min-wan) 1,000.00 Mrs. Kan An-shi (Mr. Kan Hung-chiu's mother) 500.00 Mrs. Kan Hung-chiu (Lum Wing-shout) 300.00 Mrs. Kan Yuk-kai (Ng Siu-cho) 200.00 Mrs. U Yut-yu (Chan Shi) 200.00 Mrs. Lum Hung-lun 100.00 Mrs. To's Tsz-yuk 100.00 Mrs. Wong Tak-woong 100.00 Mrs. Wu Hay-fong 100.00

LOCAL PROBATE.

WILL OF LATE CAPT. W. E. CLARKE.

Probate of the will of Capt. W. E. Clarke, director of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, has been granted in respect of his Hong Kong property to Mr. W. E. L. Shenton. (Capt. Clarke died in Shanghai on Nov. 18). The net value of the Hong Kong property amounts to \$125,166.20. To his daughter Kate Eleanor Livesay he left articles of silverware, and to his daughter Sybil Mary Denny other articles mentioned in a second schedule of the will. To his wife he leaves all his wearing apparel, personal ornaments, trinkets and jewels, furniture, plate, plated goods, linen, glass, china, books, manuscripts, pictures, prints, statuary, musical instruments, and all other articles of personal, domestic, or household use or ornament, and all his wines, liquors, consumable stores and provisions, and all his motor cars and garage, furniture and plants, garden tools and implements.

Other Bequests.

Also to his wife the sum of \$1,000 to be paid to her as soon as possible after his death for her immediate requirements.

To his trustees during the life of his daughter Muriel Lillian Clarke an annuity of \$200, to be paid by such instalments as the trustees think fit.

He bequeathes all his real estate and personal estate and effects not otherwise disposed of by codicils, to the use of the trustees.

His residence at Tai Po, New Territories, known as "White Cottage" upon trust for his wife during her life with full liberty for her either to reside there, or to receive the rents and profits. His wife is to receive during her life the yearly sum of \$6,000 in Hong Kong currency, (free of all death duties).

From and after the death of the survivors of his wife and daughter Muriel Lillian Clarke, one half part of share of the residuary trust fund is to be placed on trust for his daughter Kate Eleanor Livesay, or if she predeceases the testator, then for her children in equal shares on their attaining their majority.

A similar bequest is made in regard to his daughter Sybil Mary Denny.

New Delhi, Jan. 8.—Sir Samuel Hoare's air liner has arrived. The party was given a great welcome. All Government offices were closed and a huge assembly, including a number of notabilities, greeted Sir Samuel Hoare's party and Sir Geoffrey Salmond, who motored to the Viceroy's Lodge, where they are guests during their stay, of Lord and Lady Irwin.—Reuter.



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COMING FILMS.

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The Ballet of Jewels is one of the most magnificent dance spectacles ever filmed. It is staged by Fanchon, under the supervision of Buchowetzki. Fanchon is the feminine half of the famous vaudeville and producing team of Fanchon and Marco. Fanchon has won an enviable reputation for the manner in which she stages dance diversions, and is said to have surpassed all her previous efforts in the great spectacle which she has given to "The Midnight Sun."

The Ballet shows the famous Imperial Russian Ballet that, during the reign of the Tsars, held forth in St. Petersburg. It was then considered the greatest in the world. The famous Opera House in St. Petersburg was reproduced in every detail at Universal and all its splendour and greatness are faithfully shown.

Incidentally this scene has been provided with a huge audience of "extras" who not only had the pleasure of witnessing the ballet but were also paid for doing so. The costuming of the audience is in keeping with the event depicted, for the scene represents the Imperial Ballet at the height of its greatness.

Laura La Plante, whose rise to screen fame has been most rapid, heads the imposing cast. Pat O'Malley is seen in a role entirely different from anything he has ever attempted. As the third principal, Universal is presenting young Raymond Keane, whose rise to stardom is the sensation of the year. Not only is it Keane's first prominent role but also his first picture.

George Siegmann, whose name is known wherever photoplays are shown, plays the "heavy" Arthur Hoyt is to be seen in a most congenial role as Earl Metcalf. Nina Romano, one of the screen's foremost beauties, is also a member of the great cast. Russia has given the picture Mikhail Vavitch, Mada Ralnia, Charles A. Hancock, Victor De Linsky and William Von Hardenberg.

AT THE STAR.

"GOLDEN DREAMS" TO-DAY.

The story concerns Mercedes MacDonald, daughter of a Spanish mother and an American father, Sydney Buchanan, the engineer in charge of the new oil wells on the McDonald estate, the Duke of Othome, and his scheming uncle, Don Felipe de Cristobal. Don Felipe wishes to arrange a marriage between the Duke and Mercedes to recoup the family fortunes. Mercedes, however, has given her heart to Sandy Buchanan, and the Duke and his Uncle go to all lengths to get the American engineer out of the way. In a great attack upon the inn in which Buchanan, his friends, and Mercedes take refuge, the lions, tigers and bears in a travelling American circus are loosed upon the attacking party, the Duke and Don Felipe falling victims to their fury.

Among others in the long cast are Norris McKay, Madame Rose Dione, Audrey Chapman, Bertram Grassby, Frank Leigh, Frank Hayes, Walter Perkins, Babe London, Mary Jane Irving and scores more.

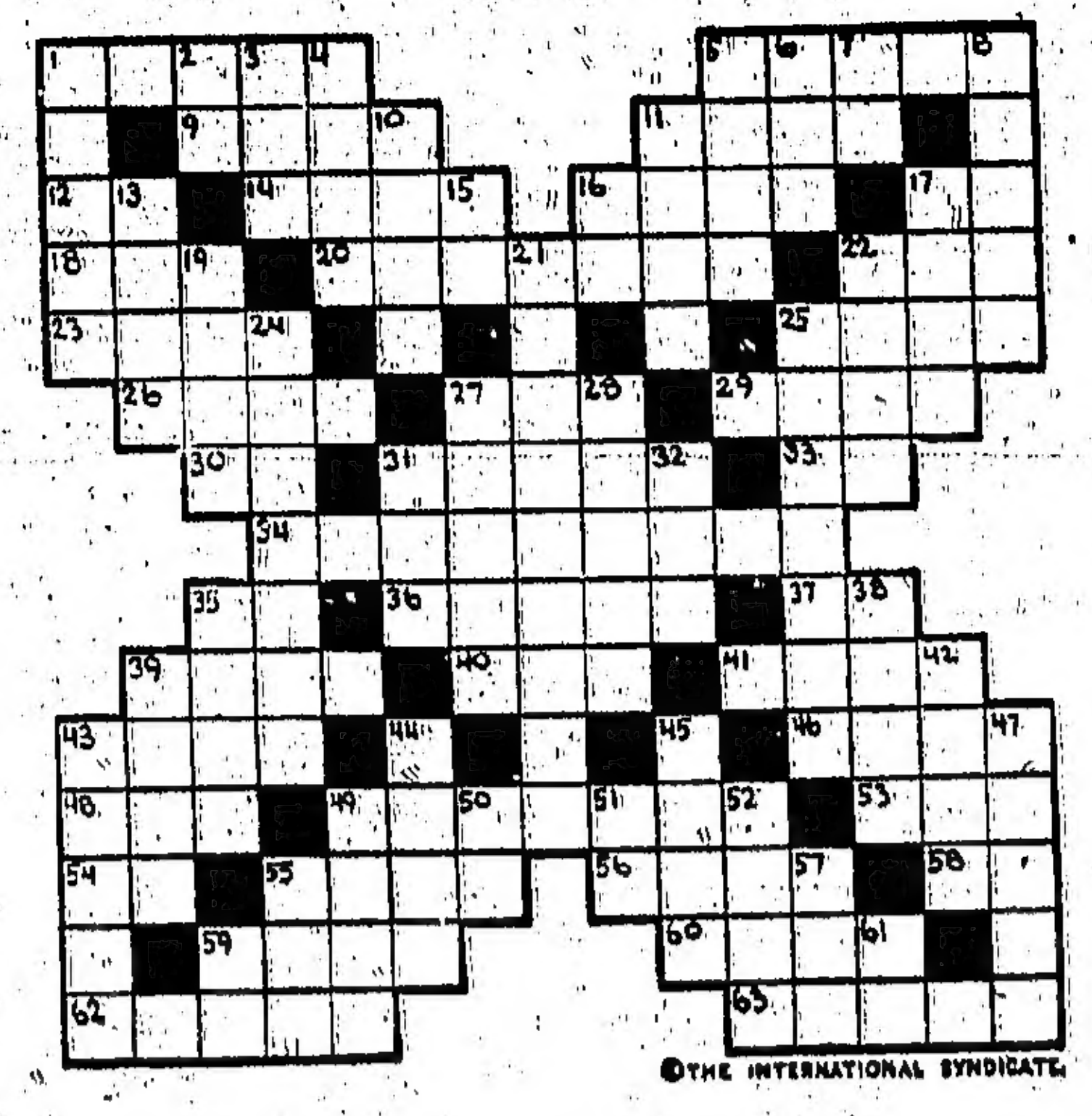
AMERICAN IMMIGRATION.

Washington, Jan. 8. President Coolidge has sent to the Senate a report compiled by the State and Commerce Departments showing a reduction of 11,128 in the immigrants to be admitted into the United States every year after July next.

The quota of each European country will be fixed proportionately to the foreign born population of the United States of 1890. There is much shifting of quotas. For example the Irish Free State will be allowed 13,862 immigrants a year instead of the present 23,567; Britain and Northern Ireland 78,089 instead of 84,007; Germany 23,428 instead of 51,277; France 8,837 instead of 8,954; Italy 3,845 instead of 6,091; the Netherlands 2,421 instead of 1,648. Every country is allowed a minimum quota of one hundred. Reuter's American Service.

OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plover, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL
1-Twelve dozen
2-Antic
3-To make full
4-Stimulus
5-Part of verb "to be"
6-Indigent
7-The Orient
8-You and I
9-Wooden pin
10-To acquire
11-Cry of a sheep
12-Auditory organs
13-Ramunated
14-Intuitive appreciation of what is right
15-Animal skin
16-Nerve
17-Myself
18-Plate for the bread of the Eucharist
19-Pronoun
20-A cliff
21-Because of
22-Pertaining to
23-Punishment
24-Thus
25-Level
26-Anything
27-To move
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
28-To skid
29-Make a noise like
30-Priest's garment
31-Thou
32-Inside
33-Only
34-Garden tool (pl.)
35-Transpos (abbr.)
36-Machine for weaving
37-A dam
38-Loud outcry
39-To prattle
- VERTICAL
1-A fruit
2-From
3-To drink in small quantities
4-An attitude
5-Slugish
6-Rodent
7-Pretext
8-To mix and work into a mass
9-Learning
10-High wind
11-Flash
12-Northeastern State
13-Country of Africa (abbr.)
14-Measure of weight
15-Sticky
16-To harass
17-Rod signifying power
18-Clergymen
19-Face of a gem
20-Pay back
21-Enthusiasm (slang)
22-Nothing
23-Decade
24-Paradise
25-Tumult
26-Lies out
27-Tropical tree
28-Flatboat
29-Pocketbook
30-A water bird
31-Point of compass (abbr.)
32-Evacuation
33-Hold
34-French coin
35-Tile of address
36-Behold
37-A high naval officer (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

OCEAN PHONE WONDERS.

Rugby, Jan. 8. The wireless telephone conversations between London and New York continued for many hours yesterday, when the service was inaugurated, all who spoke expressing themselves delighted with the clarity of communication.

Newspapers exchanged news, and considerable business was transacted. London found it no more difficult to speak to New York than to the next room.

The "Times" says: "A great triumph, the fruit of much research, and almost infinite resourcefulness, has been achieved, and a process has been initiated which will henceforward take its place in the regular apparatus of life. But the invention is still young, though there is very belief in the ability of its engineers to improve, enlarge and perfect it."—British Wireless Service.

A \$55 Talk.

London, Jan. 7. Business men who have used the London-New York telephone express are very pleased with the practical advantages that can thus be derived.

Banks and a leading insurance company were among the earliest users.

The Post Office announced late yesterday evening that reception deteriorated after sunset on account of bad atmospheric conditions, and it was impossible to complete booked calls.

Messrs. John Wanamakers have contracted for an outlay of \$55 in an eleven minute conversation from New York to London, a house message chiefly of an advertising character.—Reuter.

New York, Jan. 7.

The newspapers hail the trans-ocean telephony as an amazing success in spite of occasional atmospheric disturbances. Reuter's American Service.

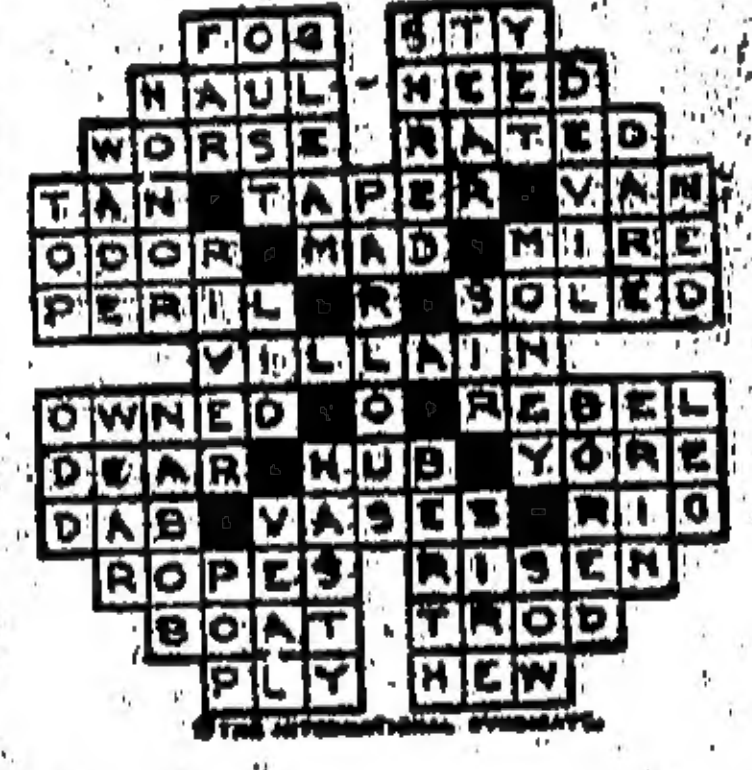
Heard at Joburg.

It is claimed that the London-New York conversations were distinctly heard by a wireless amateur here.—Reuter.

EMPIRE AIRWAY SERVICE.

Rugby, Jan. 8. The first of the regular scheduled flights of the new Empire airway between the Persian Gulf and Egypt was begun yesterday, when the west bound air liner left Basra for Baghdad and Cairo, carrying about 1,000 urgent letters and parcels most of them addressed to Great Britain from India.—British Wireless Service.

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



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SEATTLE MARU Sails on Tuesday, 25th January.
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HANKOW TROUBLE.

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the Government on the score of "weakness," and who would logically incite the Government to some vague but furious sort of military action against China, are an embarrassment to the Government.

The favourite theory cherished in some Press quarters that the Chinese upheaval is the work of Moscow is regarded as ill-informed. What is running through China is the Kuomintang—the extremist Nationalist movement to which even the Peking "authorities"—if one can use such a word for convenience—have paid increasing lip-service up to the time of Mr. Wellington Koo's resignation. The fever of xenophobia has spread from Canton to Hankow, and the feeling in official quarters is that the fever is merely inflamed by the pugnacious foreign commentators.

The naval measures that are being taken by the China station are directed only towards the protection of life and property, and the greatest care is being taken diplomatically to avoid any semblance of intervention in Chinese affairs.

WESTERN IDEAS.

Discussing the problem of China, the "Sunday Times" says: "The position is complicated by the fact that any intervention that may become necessary can only aggravate the anti-foreign agitation which is the basis of the present trouble. What, then, can Great Britain do? If she were to reassert the freedom of action she surrendered at Washington and proceed to protect her interests on her own initiative, what good could come of it? It would be futile to engage in unlimited warfare, and the result of limited interference could only be an intensification of anti-British feeling. Whether we like it or not, the truth is that the nationalist sentiment which is so strongly manifesting itself in China to-day is an ungovernable evolutionary force. Undoubtedly, it is being utilised to the fullest possible extent by Moscow, whose rulers lose no opportunity of fostering disorder, and who see in the Chinese situation a heaven-sent chance to strike a blow at Great Britain in the East. But the discontent is not in itself their creation; it is a clear example of developing national consciousness, the suppression of which history has proved it to be unwise and unprofitable to attempt.

Long Slumber Over.
For this reason—if for no other—it would be unwise to embark on any scheme of intervention other than may be forced upon us, in conjunction with other Powers, for the protection of our immediate interests. The East generally is alive with revolt consequent on the infusion of Western ideas and culture; it is awakening from long slumber, and no power can keep its eyelids closed. Slowly the process must work itself out, and when that has been accomplished the relationship between China and the foreign Powers will be readjusted. In the meantime, whatever local action may be forced upon them, the Government will be right if they continue to pursue their policy of patience.

WORKING POLICY.

China Committee's Views.

Addressing a meeting of Conservative peers and M.P.'s at the House of Commons, Mr. Leese, Chairman of the China Committee, indicated the course of action that the committee suggested the British Government should adopt. He complained that Britain had had no policy towards China during the last few years, and declared that, if this situation continued, it could only lead to the practical extinction of British trade in that country. The two alternative courses open to the Government were to continue doing nothing or to deal with the Cantonese Government. He suggested that we should give a lead, and that the British diplomatic representatives in China should inform the Cantonese Government that directly it restored peace and good order in the territory it governed and terminated all boycotts and strikes against foreigners it would be recognised by the Powers.

Treaties to be Reviewed.
Similarly, the Peking and Cantonese authorities should be informed that the existing treaties would be reviewed with the respective Governments which had been established in the north and south. Finally, that until treaties had been revised both Governments would be required to recognise existing treaties. Further, that tariff autonomy would be extended to North and South China from Jan. 1, 1928 or 1929, or some convenient date, and

that both Governments during that interval take the necessary steps to abolish internal taxation. Lastly, if both Governments desired, the Powers should be prepared forthwith to cancel the sanctuary which now extended to Chinese in foreign concessions and settlements.

FUTILE PROTESTS.

China and the Powers.

The "Daily Telegraph" (London) remarks:—For British interests and Treaty-rights there appears now to be no prospect of protection whatever outside the limits of the concessions. That is also true of the other European and the Japanese communities. Long-continued failure on the part of the Powers to arrive at agreement for a concerted policy of resistance to aggression is now its expected fruit. Not only the Cantonese Government, but every other self-constituted authority in China is convinced that foreign Governments are afraid to assert themselves by any means stronger than formal protest. Their power to influence the situation has completely vanished. The denunciation of the Belgian Treaty by the shadow Government in Peking, in direct violation of the terms of that instrument, has been met by no concerted declaration of right. The imposition of increased Customs duties by the Canton Government, also in direct violation of Treaties, has called forth nothing but protest from the Powers concerned. The protest has been rejected in insulting terms; the duties are being collected and applied to the same purposes as the plundered salt revenues. The new attack on the foreign administration of the Customs, established by Treaty and operating to the immense benefit of the Chinese revenues, has long been expected, and the last remaining security of foreign investors is directly threatened.

Counsels of Despair.

In these deplorable circumstances Europeans in China have been reduced to counsels of despair. The possible necessity of a general withdrawal to those centres where direct protection can be given is being faced. As for the vast body of Treaty-protected foreign interests in China, it appears to be the accepted policy of our own and other Governments that they must be left to find their own salvation until such time as the political situation in China settles down in some stable form, whether under an effective central Government or under a combination of federated authorities. At the present time it is hardly worth while to bestow much attention upon such matters as the Report of the "Commission upon Extra-Territoriality in China." Its arraignment of the injustice and corruption of Chinese tribunals, its account of the tyrannical violence of the military despots, and its declaration of the impossibility of surrendering extra-territorial privileges while such conditions continue, completely vitiate the proposals which it makes for the distant future; but it is perhaps matter of relief to find that there are limits to the readiness of international bodies to close their eyes to the reality of affairs in China.

Safety of Foreigners.

As things stand, the first question is that of the mere personal security of the many thousands of Europeans who, putting their faith in the sanctity of international engagements, have made their homes on Chinese soil, and now find themselves threatened by a vigorously stimulated outbreak of anti-foreign passion. It is not likely that the campaign directed against foreign trading activity in China will be long continued. Such madness is not, in the nature of things, an enduring condition. The Chinese cannot dispense with a commerce which has long been a necessity of their social life, and has been an unmixed benefit to them. A critical stage has been reached in the career of that nationalist movement of which the arch-enemies of Western civilisation have known how to take advantage. The international will to set limits to illegitimate and barbarous aspects of its activity has been wanting. It remains to see that those elementary duties which no foreign Government could conceivably repudiate or neglect are carried out with all necessary vigour as long as the orgy of political insanity and savage cruelty now afflicting the miserable millions of China continues.

HAVE WE A POLICY?

"Living From Hand to Mouth."

But, after all, protection for British subjects, though it is an immediate obligation, does not carry us far, says the "Manchester Guardian." In the course of a leading article reviewing the problem in China, Protection for British subjects involves emergency measures only; it does not constitute a policy.

Have we a policy in China, or are we living merely from hand to mouth? To judge from Lord Balfour's speech in the House of Lords a week or two ago we are simply waiting for something to turn up; the only organised Government that we have ever known, that of Peking, has virtually disappeared, and we are waiting until out of the complete confusion some new authority appears, fully armed, to take its place. And yet it is not wholly satisfactory to wait until we are perhaps confronted by a new authority which, having nothing to thank us for and being animated by the grievances of a century, some just and some unjust, approaches us in a spirit of sheer hostility. For there is much at stake in China. We have a trade there which, in spite of all recent inroads on it, is still of immense importance to us. We have a great position both in the treaty ports and in the interior. We have a large interest in the peaceful development of China, in the friendly disposition of the Chinese people towards us, and in the maintenance of peace and prosperity in the whole of the Far East for which the participation of China is essential. We cannot afford, therefore, to maintain a purely passive, drifting attitude if any better can be found.

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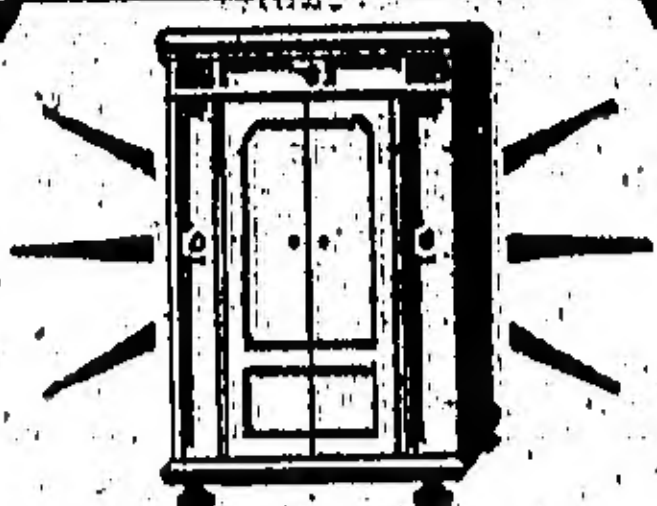
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CHAOS AT HANKOW.

No very striking developments have been reported from Hankow over the week-end. The Council of the British Legation in Peking is expected to arrive in Hankow to-day, and British banks and firms are awaiting the outcome of a conference between him and Mr. Eugene Chen before re-opening.

Meanwhile a Nationalist "Council for the Administration of the British Concession" has started to function. It is noteworthy that a member of this Council is Mr. Sun Fo, who has gone mentally amok during the past few months in regard to the British, for whom there are no names hard enough. He has developed into an echo of M. Borodin, the Soviet Adviser to the Nationalist Government. Borodin makes the vitriolic bullets and Sun Fo fires them. Little does Mr. Sun Fo reckon that in that process he may be handing something in the nature of a boomerang, which may recoil on the Chinese Nationalist cause and on the whole of China itself. His speeches and his actions of late have been so obviously inspired that it will cause no surprise—once the Chinese come to their senses—to find him eventually being eliminated from the councils of his own party. That is more than the wish being father of the thought. It is the logical reasoning of those who have sufficient faith left in the more moderate among China's leaders to believe that they themselves will soon be impelled to call a halt to the pernicious anti-British campaign. A welcome sign in this direction is the order given to tear down all

HANKOW TROUBLE.

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Enormous Difficulties.
Of course, the difficulties are enormous. The civil war is at its height. Minor Governments arise and vanish; generals with their armies change sides. But the Canton Government has maintained itself now for some years. We have not negotiated with it; we have negotiated—like all the other Powers—with Peking, which no longer counts. Now Canton is not far from controlling the whole of Southern China and may even press on into the North. Its views, so far as they are known, are not friendly towards the foreigner and his privileges; it threatens drastic measures. It would seem that we should have some sort of a policy towards this new force in China. It has behind it a strong national feeling, of which we are bound to take account. Nor is there any reason to suppose that our Government at least is not prepared to adopt a conciliatory attitude towards this national feeling. But the time will come—perhaps soon—when a mere conciliatory disposition will not be enough or may be exhibited too late. The question, therefore, is whether the Government proposes to do anything at all, either alone or in conjunction with the other Powers, to open up relations with a power which is already the most formidable organised force in China.

Purely Politics.

The idea of any sort of military demonstration as a solution of our difficulties may be popular in the treaty ports, but it has no relation to realities. We no longer live in the days when an expedition to Peking enforced a settlement that held good throughout China. If we took Canton we should have achieved nothing; the seat of the Canton Government is already at Wuchang, far up the Yangtze. But this is not a military question at all; it is a political question. In so far as our trouble does not arise from the civil war and will end with its end, it arises from a national feeling of resentment against the foreigner and the privileged position which for a century he has enforced throughout China. The serious thing for us is that the Canton Government, when it has power, may assert its intention to sweep away all restrictions, both reasonable and unreasonable, on China's liberties. Chief among these are the extraterritorial rights (which the recent International Commission thinks can only be gradually surrendered by the foreigner), and the limitations on China's tariff-making powers.

Agreement Among Powers.

The Government of Chang Tso-lin, the Mukden general, might do the same. It would surely be worth while for the British Government to concert a policy on such questions as these with the other Powers; to consider sympathetically what modifications in the so-called "unequal treaties" can be made in response to Chinese feeling; and to come to some conclusion as to the time and circumstances under which the Canton or any other de facto Government in China should be formally recognised. It is highly desirable that this country should act in concert with the other Powers to the utmost extent possible. It is equally desirable that we should not figure in the mind of China as an unsympathetic and unfriendly country which will concede nothing, except under sheer necessity, to demands that are both intelligible and, in part, well grounded.

BRITAIN'S LOSSES.

A prominent Manchester shipper pointed out, as indicating the importance of the China market to Lancashire, that in 1913 we exported to China 716,000,000 yards of cotton piece goods. This slump in the cotton trade was only partly responsible for the drop to 292,000,000 yards in 1924, and in 1925, when the full force of the boycott of British goods was felt, our exports to China had further dwindled to 178,000,000 yards, or one-quarter of the export before the war.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—It has graciously pleased His Majesty the King to signify honour two of the Colony's most prominent residents, the Attorney-General and the Hon. Mr. R. E. Kewell. True, the local press has paid glowing tributes to these well-merited decorations, but is it not fitting that all members of the community should unite in publicly expressing their congratulations to these two gentlemen?

The ancient City of London has its own way of paying tribute to those whom it places its Majesty to honour. It is done by a great procession of the City of London, which we cannot describe the example of the City of London.

Yours, etc.,
V. RICHARDSON
Hong Kong, Jan. 7, 1927.

FAR CATHAY.

China the Old Man of the World.

CLEVER VIGNETTES.

Old men grow very suspicious of their friends—it is one of the penalties of old age—they lend ready ears to tale-bearers and mischief-makers, they fly into pettish passions at fancied hurts, they find the world they have lived in growing more and more unreal and its modernizing more and more unwarrantable, writes Frank Howard in the "Manchester Guardian."

And China is an old man who has been many centuries mumbly and querulous, suppliant and resentful, senilely reproaching the aid he cannot neglect. Long ago he had trains, but never turned them to account. Thousands of years ago he invented gunpowder, but invented no cannons to shoot it from. He invented the mariner's compass, but could not discover America even then.

On the island of Amoy, on the coast midway from Hong Kong to Shanghai, some good missionary friends took me to see a first attempt at a Chinese railway. No foreign devils had had a hand in this; it was pure Chinese from the first sleeper to the last. They began with a fine terminus hotel on the mainland, to which we crossed by boat, and this, having absorbed most of the capital, stood there empty and melancholy like a neglected debutante in a ballroom. Nevertheless there was a train, and very proud of it they were. It consisted of five cattle trucks provided with forms for seats. They had so far improved on our system that each truck had a guard. Each guard had a tin trumpet. At every stop as the train slowed down each guard blew his trumpet with all his might. He resumed blowing when the train started till he made sure it was well under way, when, conscious of duty done, he sat down on a form and surveyed the passengers. The track gave us the motion of the witching waves at Earl's Court.

After 15 miles of this through half-flooded rice fields we came out on the bank of a large river, and there we stopped. That was the end of the line, for the opposite bank was a high cliff which the heroes of Chinese engineering proved unable to tunnel. However, all the Chinamen aboard were very proud of their train and kept glancing side-long at us Englishmen to see how we took it and mark the looks of jealousy on our faces. One portentously solemn gentleman in blue slops and pigtail, to show his familiarity with these contraptions, stepped off while we were entering a station at some ten miles an hour and folded out flat on the platform like a trap-door.

They tried another railway on a still more ambitious scale, and this time, again obsessed with the revolt against foreign interference, they began by building a university to train the engineers. That was as far as they got. The local Viceroy took over the buildings for a palace, and this railway did not get so far as a terminus hotel. All this sounds pathetic, and so it is—but it is China.

Out of his nationalist setting the Chinaman is a man to be admired. He is clever and brainy, full of a quaint originality, honest by his own principles, and hard-working. If he is callous about suffering it is about his own as much as other people's. Most touching of all are his infinite patience and fortitude. He loves devils. A world without devils would be for him as dull as a menagerie full of empty cages. All night long as I lay by the harbour of Macao I would be awakened by terrific fusillades among the crowded junk lying out on the dark waters. They were only scaring devils. It appeared to be necessary from time to time, and the expenditure of the Chinese shipping merchants on fireworks for this service must be serious.

One day I found myself going up a mountain path among great boulders and camphor trees. Below us, far down, in far sinuosities lay the river up which we had sailed. Our clumsy houseboat lay under the bank dwarfed to a child's toy skiff; but I was glad to keep my eye on it occasionally as my sole link with my own world. We went up till we came to a great monastery. Surely the weirdest dwelling-place in the world. Caves, passages, and tunnels in the rocks yawned at us. Up and down mountain paths among the bushes the silent figures of monks with shaven tonsures and musty robes moved solemnly as spiritistified storks. A catwalk in an abyss below us, a white plume going down into dizzy depths of mist. Ever and anon there came on this mountain solitude a deep, sonorous boom, more solemn than the passing bell of the slow-moving boat.

FLED TO CANTON?

(Continued from page 1.)

Guild when the strike broke out, witness said that the Guild had no funds.

Mr. McCallum: Do you mean to tell the Court that, with a membership of 3,000, this Guild was bankrupt at the time of the strike?

Witness: We had a little money for upkeep of the Guild premises.

In answer to further questions, witness said that there has been between \$1,000 and \$2,000 in the Bank to the account of the Guild before the strike and this was taken out by himself and other officials and re-invested in Hong Kong.

Witness denied that he sent this money to Canton.

Pickets in Canton?

Mr. McCallum: I put it to you that the Treasurer of this Guild was among the first to leave Hong Kong for Canton when the strike broke out and that he took the funds of the Guild and took an active part in Canton until quite recently as a picket acting in connection with the boycott.

Witness denied that the treasurer had left for Canton at the beginning of the strike or that he had taken the money. He had remained in Hong Kong until quite recently and had now gone to his home up-country.

Mr. McCallum was about to put allegations respecting another official of the Guild who was a plaintiff in this case when Mr. Loseby objected, terming the questions as irrelevant.

His Honour (Mr. Justice Wood) said that he would have to trust Mr. McCallum.

Mr. McCallum: The 3rd plaintiff, you know, left Hong Kong early in the strike and only came back because, after acting as a picket, he was obliged to leave because he had misappropriated picket funds.

His Honour ruled this question out.

Mr. McCallum put it to witness that numbers 2, 3, 4 and 5 plaintiffs all went to Canton when the strike broke out taking the funds of the Guild and that they had acted with the knowledge and consent of witness (1st plaintiff).

This plaintiff denied. Mr. McCallum further stated that the Guild had ceased to function since the strike, that at least 90 per cent. of its members had gone to Canton and that there were many members owing money on contracts previous to the strike.

The case was adjourned until the 13th inst.

mightiest cathedral, which seemed to gather up the echoes of Time itself from all the gorges and to dole it out again like the breaths of dead men re vapourized for the living.

We came on some ancient buildings with painted wooden posts and saddle-shaped roofs, and in them the same solemn-visaged monks were busy in long corridors of tall shelves filled with wooden books, all carved with vast labour, and read by none. They were worm-eaten and mouldering; you could not draw them forth for fear they should fall to dust, of an antiquity pre-Adamite; and here were these spectacled old fellows making more of them, just adding to the world's lumber, filling the long perspective of the ages with more food for worms. Such is China. We came then on the sacred fish ponds and saw an aged priest, with a face that had grown like a carp's, feeding the sacred carp, which rolled up from the bottom like barrels, so old and plethoric were they, and sucked and guzzled like swine at their trough.

Then we found the bell, whose notes had so startled us on the mountain side. It was an immense bronze thing hung in a cave-like vault, and beside it hung a huge wooden fish. The fish had a cord in its snout, which went over a pulley into a hole in the ground, and, lifting up a trap-door, we heard the splash of water and saw a sort of water-wheel with three or four large buckets filled it tilted over and turned the wheel and this dragging on the rope pulled the nose of the mighty wooden fish, which darted forward and struck the rim of the bell with a stunning shock of sound, enough to deafen one. Missapplied ingenuity and wasted effort are two of the worst of Chinese devils.

And away in the far distance, like a pearl on the edge of the sea blink, lay the throbbing city of Poochow, where the ships of the nations were loading and unloading, frantic and eager, throbbing with life machinery, the spectacle of the new life, which signifies the march of progress of the centuries. In this solemn then the passing bell of the slow-moving boat.

HANKOW CALMER.

ANTI-BRITISH POSTERS
TAKEN DOWN.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Shanghai, Jan. 9.
A Hankow message of Jan. 8 says that the Municipal Police were again functioning, but the Nationalist police were still in the Concession, "though soldiers and pickets were withdrawn to-day, otherwise the conditions are the same as yesterday."

A message of Jan. 9 says that the Concession at present is very quiet. The Chinese police are armed and the Municipal police are unarmed. Last night under orders given by the Chinese police all anti-British posters in the Concession were torn down, while public gatherings were prohibited.

Messrs. Eugene Chen, Sun Fo, and Tsoung Tse-ven on Friday assumed office as members of the Council for the administration of the British Concession.

The Sikh members of the Municipal Police have been circulated that they also belong to an "oppressed race" and will be cared for by the Nationalists.

Mr. O'Malley is expected from Peking on Monday.

The banks and firms are awaiting the result of his meeting with Eugene Chen before re-opening.

Passengers arriving from Kiang state that the Kuomintang flag is hoisted over the British Consulate there, the Consul being aboard H.M.S. "Wyvern."

Refugees' Accounts.

Well-known Hankow residents gave illuminating descriptions of how the British marines and Volunteers were maltreated by the mob on January 3, while on duty at the sandbag barricades. Naturally, mistaking their restraint for fear, the mob showered stones at them, hit them with bamboo poles, and spat at them. All this of course without the faintest provocation.

It was clear that the assailants were instruments, probably unknowingly, of those who wanted to goad the British into firing or taking such other violent action as would intensify the anti-British feeling and provide "mar-tyrs" for propaganda purposes.

An American naval officer who witnessed some of these attacks remarked that he doubted whether many men in the forces of any other country could be found to possess the super-self discipline which enabled these young marines to refrain from "getting just a little bit of their own back."

Home Press Views.

London, Jan. 9.
The situation in China continues to be the subject of newspaper comment.

The "Observer" regards Mr. Chen's new agreement with the British Consul-General as indicating a change of the former's attitude, and thinks this a change for the better at Hankow, and justifies the British policy, sooner even than was expected. Commonsense was bound to win. It considers Mr. Chen wanted us to take vigorous action. He could then have scored a spectacular victory and won the applause of the Kuomintang extremists. His purpose was defeated by the refusal of British troops to fire. Mr. Chen by the new agreement had the ability to cut his loss, seeing that his calculated provocation had proved abortive.

He needs money for the military campaign and the support of the Kuomintang for the political campaign, and the respect of the Powers for consolidation of the position he thereby hopes to achieve, and these objects were being defeated.

The great need is for Sir Austen Chamberlain not to swerve from his memorandum despite the absence of the support to which it is entitled from the Powers.

The "Sunday Times" is impressed by the fact that the Stock Exchange remains unperturbed, and all financial obligations secured on the Customs are fully met elsewhere. The paper refuses to believe that the Chinese world-wide reputation for commercial integrity and fair-dealing will desert them, and that they will follow in the footsteps of Russia.

America's Policy.

New York, Jan. 8.
From a general analysis of the lengthy dispatches printed in all newspapers from their Far Eastern correspondents, it would appear that while America is sympathetic toward Britain and admires what is considered the masterly handling of a ticklish situation by British naval officers, she is unilaterally opposed to any policy of intervention, chiefly owing to her natural unwillingness to transfer the odium at present directed against Britain to herself.

The Shanghai correspondent of one paper asked an American diplomat what would happen if the Cantonese invaded Shanghai, and the diplomat is said to have replied: "American policy is to let the Cantonese get Shanghai if they can. The United States is determined to let China have a free hand in the present crisis."

Although Mr. Hearst enthusiastically advocated a "two fisted" vigorous policy in the part of the United States in Nicaragua, his papers are doubtfully championing the cause of the Chinese against foreign aggression.

French Views.

Paris, Jan. 9.
The morning papers give prominence to the situation in Hankow and other centres in China.

"Le Journal Industriel" says that the present happenings give serious food for reflection in regard to the future of the interests of France in the Far East.

"Le Petit Journal" declares that the Cantonese authorities seem already to have lost control over the Southern extremists. It thinks that the latter will now probably try to push to a bitter end the campaign, the aim of which is to shake off the yoke of the foreigner.

According to "Excelsior" the expectant attitude adopted by the French Government calls for the greatest vigilance in view of the unexpected developments that so often mark domestic struggles and revolutionary movements in the Chinese Republic.

"Le Temps" hopes that Britain will not commit any tactical error which might provoke open conflict.

Views From India.

Bombay, Jan. 8.
The Nationalist views on the events in China are typified in the "Bombay Chronicle," which ascribes the present position to a "ruthless policy of oppression and exploitation" and commends the British Labour Party's advice.

The "Evening News" urges America and other Powers to fall in with the British view point and to take joint action immediately if the Chinese are to be saved "from the perdition into which their present frenzy under the stimulus from Moscow, is sweeping them."

The Indian "Daily Mail" counsels a policy of conciliation and forbearance.

Belgium and Memo.

Brussels, Jan. 9.
Referring to the British Memorandum on China, the "Peuple" says that it has reason to believe the Belgian Government has replied showing sympathy in principle, towards the British proposals, principally because the memorandum aspires to satisfy Chinese national aspirations. It would seem, however, that the Belgian Government may have formulated certain reservations regarding the proposals as to which realisation would have the effect of reinforcing the position of the northern military leaders against the Cantonese authorities.

Chinese Merchant's Anxiety.

Hankow, Jan. 7.
The day has passed off quietly to six o'clock. All business with the banks has come to a standstill as the latter remain closed down.

On this account the Chinese merchants are expressing anxiety regarding the economic and financial outcome.

The authorities are anxious to secure the resumption of business, but this is not likely in view of the feeling of insecurity which prevails.

British Restraint.

Rugby, Jan. 8.
No news of fresh developments has been received from Hankow, latest reports stating that the situation there is quiet.

Correspondents on the spot say the prospects of order being restored are slightly more favourable.

The foreign banks re-opened on Thursday, and the British banks were expected to re-open yesterday.

Witnesses of the rioting earlier in the week declare that the mob, excited by agitators, did its utmost to provoke the British marines and Volunteers behind the barricades to fire upon them, thereby hoping to provoke an incident which could be used for anti-British propaganda.

The rioters employed long carrying poles and missiles for assaulting the defenders, who withstood them mainly with fists and cudgels, although they had rifles and bayonets at hand.

Chinese to Withdraw.

The latest news received states that the Chinese authorities by agreement with the British Consul-General at Hankow have arranged for the withdrawal of all Chinese troops and pickets from the British Concession, which is to be policed by British police assisted by those from the ex-Russian and ex-German Concessions.

No crowds are to be allowed on the Bund, and it is expected that the British offices will be reopened to-day. The Chinese authorities are said to have given firm orders against any repetition of trouble by labour organisations.—British Wireless Service.

The Nationalist Flag.

Shanghai, Jan. 8.
A message from Japanese sources at Hankow states that the Nationalist flag has now been hoisted over official buildings, including the Municipal Council and the Police Station.—Reuter.

Japan's Grave Concern.

Tokyo, Jan. 8.
Though Press comment on the Hankow situation continues to be noticeably absent, official circles regard the matter with the gravest concern, as they fear it may encourage similar incidents elsewhere against other foreign interests, including Japanese.

The question was seriously discussed at a Cabinet meeting yesterday, though it is understood that nothing was decided regarding the attitude Japan should adopt if faced with a similar proposition to that which faced the British at Hankow.

Broad-minded Japanese, however, sincerely regret the anti-British sentiment. A section of the vernacular Press, in connection with the British memorandum does not hesitate to say that it is essential Britain and Japan should co-operate to resist all attempts of the Chinese and others to estrange the two countries.—Reuter.

Danger to Shanghai.

Hankow, Jan. 8.
The "Times" says the Nationalist methods, aims and tactics have been very vividly revealed at Hankow, and it is of the utmost importance that the British Government decide without delay how it proposes to meet them at Shanghai.

The policy of conciliation has been practised with great consistency, and lately with assiduity.

Referring to the recent Labour Party manifesto, the paper says that the real complaint against the Government now is, not that it protects its nationals, but that it does not protect them effectively, and by the lack of adequate preparation, has drifted into the present humiliating position at Hankow.

It is incumbent on the Government to provide for effective defence of the great Concession at Shanghai against Nationalist invasion of the Hankow kind.

The Hand of Moscow?

It is a task for British diplomacy to force upon the Cantonese Government at Hankow the issue whether they are acting purely in Chinese national interests or with some other object.

If they are merely puppets in the world revolution directly and primarily against the power and prosperity of Britain, this larger issue must be squarely faced.

The "Morning Post" says the nation would like to be assured that more vigour of resolution will be shown in the defence of our position at Shanghai than has hitherto appeared in our Chinese policy.—Reuter.

Safety of Foreigners.

Hankow, Jan. 7.
The steamer "Kutwo" left for Shanghai last night carrying the evacuated American women and children.

All the administrative offices in the British Concession are now in the hands of the Chinese, who are in control of the police and municipality buildings.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has assured the safety of all foreigners.—Reuter.

CHURCH FOR DELHI.

Rugby, Jan. 8.
At the request of the Viceroy of India, a public appeal signed by the Premier, Lord Birkenhead, the Archbishop of Canterbury and many others, is being made for funds to erect a church in Imperial Delhi.

The King and Queen, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York and the Duke of Connaught have given donations.

Lord Irwin has collected \$4,000 privately in England, and \$11,500 has been subscribed in India.

Altogether at least \$34,000 is required to make the building worthy of its purpose.—British Wireless Service.

ARMS FOR FOCHOOW.

Taipei, Jan. 9.
The Rickmers steamer "Etha," with a cargo of arms and ammunition from Germany, for Taiwan, was delayed here, because the authorities found she carried also 2,978 cases of aeroplanes, arms and munitions, billed for Foochow. The steamer was released yesterday, after her cargo was landed here, though the shipping agent at Shanghai telegraphed to the local agent that the Foochow cargo should be delivered at Nanking.—Reuter.

STRONG VIEWS.

THE UNITED STATES AND
NICARAGUA.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Washington, Jan. 9.
Mr. Huddleston, Alabama, in the House of Representatives, said there were interests in this country which for years had been trying to seize the oil-mining resources of Mexico. They cared nothing for our duty to Mexico as a weaker nation.

He described as false and malicious, the alleged suggestion of the State Department to the American Press that Bolshevism was the issue in Nicaragua. Diaz was the tool of the New York bankers and the presence of American forces in Nicaragua would not only bring on war with Mexico but would arouse against America the feeling of other Latin American countries.

If there were war, he would nominate American oil barons certain sensation-loving newspaper proprietors, and leading United States Federal officials in the front ranks of the United States army.

The same subject also came up in the Senate, where Mr. Reed, of Missouri, used language equally emphatic, asking pointedly whether a well-known White House spokesman was not really President Coolidge himself.

Mr. Heflin, of Alabama, advised the President "to go slow" in the direction of war "as we owe more to America than to any oil interest."

Mexican President's Statement.

New York, Jan. 9.
President Calles expressed the opinion that the withdrawal of the United States would be a recognition of his Government and would be interpreted by his opponents as encouragement to revolt. He declared that revolutionary efforts had already begun, but that the Government was suppressing them. As regards Nicaragua, President Calles said that two governments were established in Nicaragua, namely, "Legality" and "Illegality" and "Mexico recognised the Government of 'Legality,' the United States recognised the Government of 'Violence.' That's all."

Diaz's Latest Offer.

Managua, Jan. 9.
Diaz has offered the Liberals a general amnesty and repeated his previously expressed willingness to let the Liberals share in the Government.—Reuter's American Service.

Senator Borah's Views.

Washington, Jan. 8.
After a conference with President Coolidge, Senator Borah paused on the doorstep of the White House to tell the journalists that the United States had no business in the world in Nicaragua.

The President had given him no proof that American lives and property were so imperilled in Nicaragua as remotely to justify American intervention.

Later Senator Borah expressed the opinion that the sheer force of American arms was holding up the Diaz regime. If anybody in Nicaragua was constitutionally entitled to be President it was Sacasa.—Reuter's American Service.

President's Only Comment.

Washington, Jan. 8.
President Coolidge's only comment on the opposition displayed to his policy in Central America is a reiteration of the statement by Mr. Kellogg earlier in the day that the United States marines were landed in Nicaragua to protect the lives and property of United States citizens.—Reuter's American Service.

Recognition Question.

Washington, Jan. 8.
In the course of a re-statement of United States policy in Nicaragua, the President explained through a White House "spokesman" that the United States could not always enquire into the authority on which another government rested when it found a de facto government apparently exercising authority in protecting the property and lives of United States nationals as well as those of other foreign countries.

The United States would recognise that de facto government, and having extended recognition, was prepared to take up the same attitude in its support as it had taken on behalf of General Obregon's government in Mexico in 1924, when the United States had consented to sell arms and ammunition to Obregon's Government to enable it to maintain its stability.—Reuter's American Service.

Karachi, Jan. 8.—Captains Stack and Wright have arrived.—Reuter.

New York, Jan. 9.—A telegram from Mexico City states that President Calles has informed United States visitors that he would be willing to submit the differences with Washington over the new Land and Petroleum Laws to the League, if such is the only way to avoid a greater menace to Mexico.—Reuter's American Service.

CHINESE MUSIC.

COMBINING EAST WITH
WEST.

SATURDAY'S CONCERT.

The third of the periodical grand concerts by the Chinese Amateur Musical Association, which has as one of its aims the reconciliation of Chinese and Western music was given on Saturday night at the Taiping Theatre before a large audience comprising many Europeans.

Miss Rachael Wong, a pupil of Miss V. Capell, gave a European classical dance; Miss P. Y. Chou gave the recently introduced "Chiu Kwan Yuen," a song expressing the troubles of a popular Chinese beauty; Miss Ling Wong, the five-year-old daughter of Mr. Tong Shaw-man sang an ancient Chinese song and other items included a flute solo, American comic songs translated into Chinese, a cornet and trumpet duet and a saxophone sextette. A light comedy and torch light display were also included in the programme.

Those who were responsible for the successful entertainment which was repeated on Sunday evening were Mr. Tong Hok-ting, president, and Messrs. Yao Boun and Chan Shiu-wang, vice-presidents, of the Association; and Mr. Tong Shaw-man, chairman of the executive committee, assisted by Messrs. Ip Kwan, Cheung King-ming, Ng Kim-chuen, Wan Tak-shing, Li Shiu-chuen, Chan Ping-kwong, Li Kwok-yan, Wong Choy-woon, Yeung Man-yuk, and Yau Hau-kwok.

LITTLE CHANGE.

ELECTIONS FOR FRENCH
SENATE.

FORMER PRESIDENT'S DEFEAT

Paris, Jan. 9.
Among the notable results of the elections for 108 seats being one third of the membership of the Senate, are the defeat of the former President of the Republic, M. Millerand, and the President of the Senate, M. Desseles.

The newly-elected senators include M. Raoul Peret, who therefore will vacate the Presidency of the Chamber of Deputies.

The elections generally do not reveal any startling changes.—Reuter.

HUGE SNAKE.

EATS ONLY FOUR MEALS
A YEAR.

Rio de Janeiro.
The largest living snake ever seen in Brazil has been added to the Botanical Gardens collection here.

It weighs 350lb., and is 24 ft. long. It is called the Sucuri, and was captured in Central Brazil after an enormous meal had resulted in its becoming inert. Usually it is very active and dangerous.

According to tradition, these snakes eat only four times a year.

WAR DEBT.

FIRST INSTALMENT FROM
PORTUGAL.

Rugby, Jan. 9.
The Portuguese Government yesterday paid the British Government the first instalment of £125,000 in respect of the year 1926, due under the war debt agreement signed on December 31.—British Wireless Service.

DISARMAMENT.

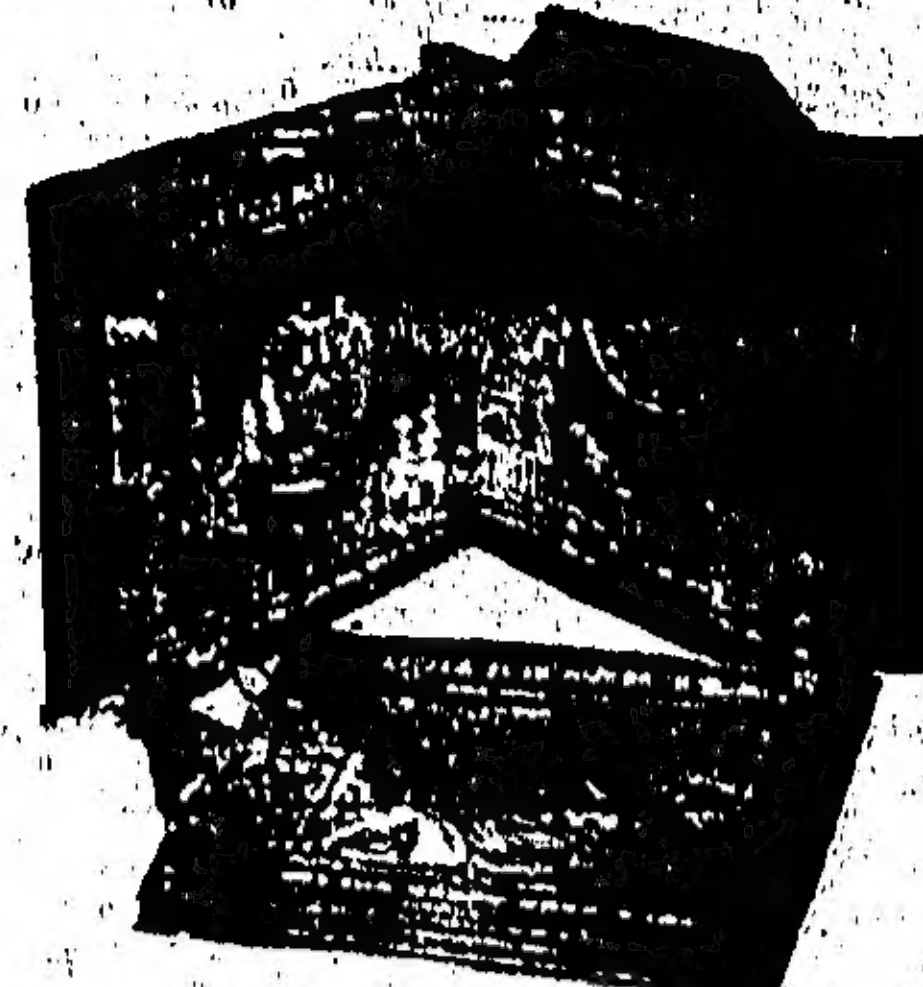
Washington, Jan. 7.
President Coolidge has requested Congress to vote an additional \$75,000 to cover the expenses of the American delegation to the disarmament conference. He said: "I believe the preliminary work has been useful and there is good reason to hope for concrete results of further meetings."

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Sir Joseph Pope, who had been
in the Canadian public service for
45 years, has died at Ottawa, aged
73.There will be a public Lecture
at the Helena May Institute on
Monday, 17th January at 5.30 p.m.,
given by Mr. A. H. Crook. Subject:
"Are we going West?" Admission
free.—Advt.Two well-known former
Singapore residents, the Rev.
A. J. Amery and Mr. Walter
Makepeace, are close neighbours
at Bristol, where Mr. E. Lowich,
of Rennie, Lowich and Co. is
spending his leave.British subjects desiring to
visit Egypt are warned that it
will be necessary to obtain the
Egyptian visa to their passports,
and that the mere endorsement
of their passports to the effect
that they are travelling to or
through Egypt is not sufficient.A Capetown message states
that the Christian churches on
the Rand have launched a cam-
paign against the Charleston
dance, which is described as be-
ing reminiscent of the barbaric
tribal dances of the jungle, not
only indecorous, but likely to have
a bad effect on the natives."Grandpa Peru," well known to
thousands of British troops who
passed through Caesar's Camp, at
Rouvroi, in the Somme area, during
the war, has just died, aged 100
years one month and six days.
Grandpa, whose real name was Val-
frid Peru, was a particular
favourite with the W.A.C.'s and
with the crews of the anti-aircraft
batteries stationed in the region.
He was at work up to four months
ago.Aboard H.M.S. "Renown," and
also in Australia, the Duke of
York, as representing the King, will
fly a personal standard, namely, the
Royal Standard, with a white bar.
The King alone uses the Royal
Standard, while the Prince of
Wales and the Duke of York have
personal flags granted by the King.
The "Renown" will carry as a
Royal barge for the use of the Duke
and Duchess of York when landing,
a fast steamboat painted blue.Mr. Rudyard Kipling, the author,
who lives at Burwash, was a mem-
ber of the grand jury at the Sussex
Assizes at Lewes. There were a
number of cases for their con-
sideration.During a brief stay at Montreal
en route to St. John, whence he
sailed in the liner "Montreal,"
Prince George informed the mayor,
Mr. Martin, that he planned to re-
turn to Canada with the Prince of
Wales next summer.The below-zero temperature com-
pelled Prince George to acquire a
Canadian fur coat during his three-
days visit to Lord Willington, the
Governor-General, and Lady
Willington. A dance given at
Government House was attended by
200 unmarried guests.Another popular figure in local
sport has left the Colony, this be-
ing Lt. R. A. Chidson who played
football, hockey &c. and was good
at most games. He came here with
the 1st Batt., East Surrey Regi-
ment a few years ago and stayed
behind when the Regiment left re-
cently for India.Sir Alfred Yarrow, the famous
shipbuilder of Glasgow and inven-
tor of the torpedo-boat destroyer,
who has been visiting Winnipeg,
is returning home. He was taken ill
on visiting his son at Esquimaux,
British Columbia. Sir A. Yarrow,
who is 85, is accompanied by his
daughter, Lady Dawson of Penn.Mr. E. W. Carpenter (Assistant
Director of Public Works, New
Territories) went home on leave,
with Mrs. Carpenter, on Saturday
by the "Malwa." Mr. Carpenter is
Commodore of the Royal Hong
Kong Yacht Club and a very keen
yachtsman. In his absence on
Saturday afternoon, Mr. A. L.
Shields (Vice-Commodore) wel-
comed Commodore J. L. Pearson,
R.N., to the Yacht Club at North
Point.Besides Vice-Admiral Sinclair,
the "Malwa" took away from Hong
Kong several other Homebound
Naval officers. These included Lt.
F. G. Sillitoe, R.M., a well-known
hockeyite and cricketer, Pay Comdr.
H. W. Woodward, R.N. and Pay Lt.
J. A. Hussey, R.N. (both leading
cricketers), Flg Lt. E. Dangerfield,
who regularly attended the race
and steeplechase meetings when
his ship was in port, Surgeon Lt.
M. Brown, Pay Lt. H. G. Oswin.The Japanese Lower and
Upper House have unanimously
passed the Imperial Funeral ex-
penditure of Yen. 2,989,151.Reminder: President and com-
mittee of St. David's Society will be
"at home" to members and Welsh
friends at the Chamber of Com-
merce room, City Hall, to-morrow,
from 5.30 to 7.30 p.m.Notifiable disease occurred in
the Colony during the week-end
comprised one case (Chinese) of
typhoid from the city, one case
(also Chinese) of puerperal fever
from Shaikwan, and a dog with
rabies, also from the city registra-
tion district.Mr. African Ostrich seems to
have the laugh on someone; and
when he laughs, he laughs long
and loud—as far as his mouth
will open.In the three Singapore
Police Courts last year, there
were 9,618 cases, approximately.
Of these 753 were brought up in
the District Court, 5,038 in the
Second Court, and 3,822 in the
Third Court. About 163 lunatics
appeared in the Third Court and
147 in the Second for Magis-
trates' orders.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

M. Jascha Hiefert, the violinist,
has become engaged to Mlle. Jutai
Labass, a Hungarian actress.A son has been born to Mrs.
A. S. M. Hutchinson, wife of the
author of "If Winter Comes" and
"This Freedom."The following deaths were an-
nounced in mail week:—The Rev.
Henry Woods Parris, at one time
minister of Hope Street Church,
Liverpool, a friend of Walt Whit-
man, Oliver Wendell Holmes,The engagement of Mary Ashley,
sister of Lady Louise Mountbatten,
to Captain Alec Stratford Cuning-
ham Reid, M.P., is reported in
London.Longfellow, and Whittier; at
Streatham, aged 87. Mr. John
MacMahon, known professionally
as John S. McAndrews, as a film
actor had at times to fall from
towers and dive over bridges, and
on one occasion was run down,
while in a boat, by a tug in the
English Channel; noted for the
part he played in the film "Alf's
Button" in London.The Countess of Carnarvon, who
was operated upon for appendicitis
by Sir Berkeley Moynihan, was
reported later to be making satis-
factory progress. A daughter of
the late Mr. J. Wendell, of New
York, Lady Carnarvon was married
in 1922 to the then Lord Porchester,
who succeeded to the earldom the
following year on the death of his
father, the fifth earl, who discovered
the tomb of Tutankhamen.The reports of the resignation
of General Wood, Governor of the
Philippines, are denied in Wash-
ington.Vesuvius is slowly changing its
shape, according to Professor Mar-
ladra, the Director of the Vesuvius
Observatory. Since 1923 it has in-
creased in height by about 50 feet.
The summit of the mountain is also
becoming more conical in shape.A message from Moscow states
that the Soviet Government has in-
stituted a new order, the "Red Half
Moon," which is to be bestowed
upon Asiatic politicians who do
good service in promoting good re-
lations between Asia and the Soviet
Government.A settlement of the dispute with
regard to the late Sir Robert
Houston's estate of about \$6,000,000
is stated to have been reached by
an agreement that each of five re-
latives of the late baronet is to
receive \$50,000 from Lady Houston
and Mr. G. H. Appleton.Grandson of the original
"Johnnie" Walker, Mr. G. P.
Walker, of Punney Heath, for
many years a director and
chairman of John Walker and
Sons, Ltd., left £360,320. He
gave £2,000 to Kilmarlock In-
firmity, and six months' wages
to each of his servants of two
years' service."The practice of letting seats
is one which is becoming less and
less popular at Home and leads to
many difficulties. We hope that the
meeting will agree that the time has
come for the abolition of pew rents,"
states "St. John's Cathedral Notes,"
referring to the annual meeting of
seatholders and subscribers to be
held at the Cathedral Hall on Mon-
day, January 31, at 5.15 p.m.After thirty days' residents in
France foreigners, according to a
decision of the Chamber, will re-
quire to obtain identity cards, re-
newable every year, at a cost of
375 francs. M. Poincaré stated
that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
was absolutely opposed to the pro-
posed residence tax on foreigners,
which was contrary to the provi-
sions of a number of international
conventions.Sir John Robert Gladstone, third
Bart. of Fausque, Kincardine, for-
merly a Captain in the Coldstream
Guards, brigadier of the Royal Com-
pany of Archers, and a nephew of
Mr. Gladstone, left £162,924 2s. 8d.Mr. M. J. E. Montargis, the local
exchange broker, returned to the
Colony to-day from Manila by the
"President Grant," accompanied by
Mrs. Montargis. Mr. and Mrs.
James Kinnaird also disembarked
here from the same boat.Residents who went home by the
P. & O. "Malwa" on Saturday in-
cluded Mr. R. H. Skelton (engineer
of the P.W.D.) and Mrs. Skelton,
Mr. P. Baker of the P.W.D. (an
all-rounder at cricket), Mr. F. C.
Goodman of the Hong Kong &
Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., Mr. and
Mrs. J. S. Smith and Mr. R. J.
Smith.Mr. H. Birkett, partner of Messrs.
Moxon and Taylor, sharebrokers,
went home on leave on Saturday
by the P. & O. "Malwa." He is
best known to the Hong Kong com-
munity for his racing and hunting
activities. In 1922 he won the
Blue Ribband of the local turf, with
Sun Star, first in that year's Derby.
Since then he has not been so for-
tunate but a number of ponies have
run successfully in his colours of
chocolate, mauve sleeves and cap.
More recently he has won
several races at the steeplechase
meetings of the Fanling Hunt, of
which he is Joint Master with Dr.
F. Pierce Grove. Mr. Birkett is
accompanied home by Mrs. Birkett
and their daughter.The most up-to-date baby in the
British Empire is undoubtedly the
newly born heir to the Barony of
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he has already become a life holder
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Tradition coupled for little or nothing on Saturday when soccer experts at Home were surprised by a series of Football Association Cup results which included defeats for ten clubs which had previously won the coveted trophy.

Bolton Wanderers, the holders, had the good fortune to win when playing away from their own ground. The famous amateur team, the Corinthians, also won handsomely on enemy territory. Former winners in Newcastle and Barnsley run up the biggest totals; Derby County previous finalists but not winners got the biggest "away" score of 6 goals to 2 by the home team.

Names & Figures.

Of the ten past winners who failed—and this the first round of the competition proper is only equivalent to the last round of former years, when the "giants" come in for the first time—Sheffield United (winners in 1925) and Bradford City lost on their own grounds. The other big "hums" were Huddersfield, Tottenham Hotspur, Blackburn, Aston Villa, West Bromwich, Manchester City, Nottingham County and Burnley. "Big" league clubs without a Cup history who fell were Sunderland and Leicester. In the 22 matches, 105 goals were scored. Four matches were drawn and a fifth will also have to be replayed. There are no more exemptions. The draw for the 4th round (on Jan. 29) will be made to-day and published in to-morrow's issue.

London, Jan. 8.

The 3rd round of the competition proper of the Football Association Cup was played to-day and resulted (home team given first):

Reading 1, Manchester United 1.
Bristol Rovers 0, Portsmouth 3.
Fulham 4, Chesterfield 3.
Barnsley 6, Crewe 1.
Sheffield Wednesday 2, Brighton 0.
Lincoln 2, Preston N.E. 4.
Darlington 2, Rhyd Athletic 1.
Everton 3, Poole 1.
Hull 2, West Bromwich Albion 1.
Birmingham 4, Manchester City 1.
South Shields 3, Plymouth 1.
Newcastle 8, Notts County 1.
Southampton 3, Norwich 1.
Southport 2, Blackburn 0.
Cardiff 2, Aston Villa 1.
Burnley 3, Grimsby 1.
Chelsea 4, Luton 0.
Carlisle 0, Wolverhampton 2.
Bournemouth 1, Liverpool 1.
Walsall 0, Corinthians 4.
Exeter 0, Accrington 2.
Clapton Orient 1, Port Vale 1.
Leeds 3, Sunderland 2.
Middlesbrough 5, Leicester 3.
Swansea 4, Bury 1.
Millwall 3, Huddersfield 1.
Oxford 2, Brentford 1.
Sheffield United 2, Arsenal 3.
Blackpool 1, Bolton 3.
West Ham 3, Tottenham 2.
Aston Villa 0, Notts Forest 2.
Oxford 2, Brentford 2-1 half an hour after half time when the match was abandoned.—Reuter.

IN THE LEAGUES.

London, Jan. 8.

League football matches played to-day (home team given first) resulted:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Div. III (South).

Aberdare 6, Northampton 1.
Coventry 5, Merthyr 1.
Queen's Park Rangers 3, Southend 2.
Watford 2, Swindon 2.
Gillingham 0, Newport 1.
Div. III (North).
Bradford 6, Rochdale 1.
Nelson 6, Stockport 1.
New Brighton 3, Barrow 1.
Rotherham 2, Tranmere 2.
Stoke 4, Durham 0.
Wrexham 1, Halifax 2.
Wigan 1, Doncaster 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Clyde 1, Motherwell 4.
Cowdenbeath 5, St. Mirren 1.
Dundee 4, Partick 2.
Hamilton 2, Hearts 1.
Hibernians 2, Airdrieonians 1.
Kilmarnock 3, Dundee United 0.
Morton 2, Celtic 6.
Queen's Park 1, Aberdeen 1.
Rangers 4, St. Johnstone 2.
[Falkirk v. Dunfermline was not played.]—Reuter.

HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL.

London, Dec. 18.

Brussels.—In the first hockey international of the season, England beat Belgium by 10 goals to nil.

"WHITE WINGS."

YACHT CLUB LOSE TO ROYAL NAVY.

Although 11 points behind on the morning race, the Royal Navy improved to such an extent in the afternoon yesterday that their team ultimately beat the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club by 6 points.

This was the second of the season's sailing races between the Club and the Navy and there will be a third.

The Club won the first event by 25 points and are therefore still 13 points up.

Sixteen yachts of the racing classes were used, each eight being changed over in the afternoon. Points awarded according to finishing positions were:—

Morning Race.
Course: From the Club east to Eyemum Beacon, Channel Rocks, finish at mark off H.M.S. "Titania" (5.6 miles).

Royal Navy: Why Wonders? (Comdr. Miles) 17 points (1st); Bluebonnet (Lt. Murray-Smith) 12; Alisa (Commodore J. L. Pearson, R.N.) 10; Sirius (Lt. Comdr. Yeaman) 9; Adele (Lt. Moir) 8; Pierrette (Lt. Comdr. Allen) 4; Lysbeth (Eng. Comdr. Gordon) 3; Thecla (Eng. Comdr. Villar) 2—total 65 points.

Yacht Club: Daphne (H. J. Pearce) 15 points (2nd); Gable (Capt. Cardew) 14 points (3rd); Halcyon (Lt. Col. Gunn) 13; Sealark (F. G. Vaux) 10; Adanac (H. Russell) 8; Boojam (F. D. Trucey) 7; Lola (H. J. Armstrong) 5; Joan (E. B. Reed) 1—total 75 points.

Course: From the "Titania" mark to Channel Rocks, East Rock buoy, finish at the Club line (7.6 miles).

Royal Navy: Daphne (Lt. Comdr. Drinkwater) 13 points (2nd); Boojam (Lt. Comdr. Butlin) 14 points (3rd); Adanac (Comdr. Ratsey) 12; Sealark (Lt. Comdr. Leveson) 10; Gael (Comdr. Schwedtz) 9; Halcyon (Lt. Thring) 8; Joan (Lt. Vereker) 5; Lola (Lt. Freemantle) 4—total 77 points.

Yacht Club: Alisa (N. V. H. Croucher) 17 points (1st); Bluebonnet (H. S. Rouse) 13; Adele (H. J. Vennall) 11; Why Wonders? (Lt. Col. Cardew) 10; Pierrette (R. M. Jack) 8; Thecla (Ryan) 2; Sirius (R. O. Sutherland) 1—total 60 points.

Grand total for the race:—Royal Navy (63 and 77) 140 points; R.H.K.Y.C. (74 and 60) 134 points.

Tiffin was served on board H.M.S. "Titania."

The finish of the afternoon race was very exciting, fifteen of the sixteen being close together and the first eight being very close.

16 QUALIFY.

GOLF CLUB'S JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

Ninety-three was the highest score to qualify yesterday over the 18 holes of the old course at Fanning in medal play, for the junior championship of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

The first sixteen (names given below) will play in the championship proper, match play (knock-out tournament) over 18 holes, final over 36 holes. Those who qualified were:—

G. P. Lammert 86
A. Scherfeler 86
J. S. McLaren 87
D. Forbes 88
T. S. Whyte-Smith 88
A. E. Lissman 89
W. J. Clerk 89
G. B. Layton 91
C. B. Robertson 92
J. W. C. Bonnar 92
E. E. Greensmith 92
F. Taylor 93
A. D. Humphreys 93
A. O. Brown 93
A. K. Henderson 93
A. C. I. Bowker 93

SIM SHIELD HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club in their 1st XI game with The Army on the U.S.R.C. ground on Wednesday, January 12 (bully off at 4.30 p.m.).

LAWN BOWLS.

CLOSING OF KOWLOON DOCK SEASON.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

The Kowloon Dock Recreation Club brought their season to a close on Saturday afternoon when a series of rink games was played followed by the presentation of prizes won in the various Club competitions.

There was a large attendance of members, lady friends and visitors. The weather proved ideal for lawn bowls, and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent.

The various rink games resulted as follows:—

K.D.R.C. K.C.C.
R. J. Goodman J. Hyde.
J. V. Ramsay J. Howe
W. P. Hedley J. Fraser
R. Lapsley J. Gibson

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K.D.R.C. Club de Recreo
E. Docherty E. Sousa
R. J. Dixon J. Ribeiro
J. C. Brown E. Ribeiro
R. M. Simpson L. Souza

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K.D.R.C. K.B.G.C.
A. W. Gourlay J. T. Dobbie
D. S. Neilson D. Harvey
J. McLaggan B. Wylie
S. Gray W. Russell

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K.D.R.C. Yacht Club
W. Greig Bullock
F. Cullen McL. Messer
C. Henderson Davis
J. Puchea Dixon

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K.D.R.C. Visitors (Mixed)
Crookdale MacIs
Kempson Rodgers
Coleman Roylance
W. M. Johnston Hazel

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Total .126 Total .87
Majority for Kowloon Dock Recreation Club: 39 points.

Presentation of Prizes.
At the conclusion of play Mr. George Duncan, M.B.E., in the course of a neat speech, said that his first duty was to thank the visitors for turning out in such good numbers and contributing to a fine afternoon's enjoyment. It was a pity that they had not sufficient green accommodation to invite all the Clubs in Hong Kong to participate; but they did the best they could by inviting their nearest neighbours. He was pleased to see two of the younger Clubs in the Club de Recreo and the Yacht Club represented, although he regretted that both lost that afternoon. He also welcomed the mother Club, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club. They also lost—but he could not say he was sorry for that. (Laughter.) His next duty was to thank all who had donated prizes for the various Club competitions during the season. There, again, he had to congratulate the younger players on their success, although it was impossible to shake off the old players entirely. Great interest centred in the inter-Departmental competition, the biggest difficulty at the beginning being to get the members to play at all—(laughter)—after which followed suggestions as to how it should be played. Eventually they decided on a knock-out competition, five games being played. The final was played between the Drawing Office and the Shipwrights or the Carpenters as some preferred to call them. After a strenuous game the Drawing Office won, although it was rumoured that that was due to the absence of Mr. Steele, of the Shipwrights, his substitute not playing up to trumps. (Laughter.) Finally he had to thank the ladies—Mrs. McKelvie, Mrs. Cooper, and Mrs. Duncan—for looking after the tea arrangements that afternoon. He had the pleasure of calling on Mrs. A. O. Lang to present the season's prizes, the spoons won in that afternoon's rink play, and spoons to the three ladies mentioned for their labour in supervising the afternoon tea. (Applause.)

Kowloon Dock's Welcome.
Mrs. A. O. Lang thereafter gracefully presented the prizes and spoons amid cheers, and was presented with a case of silver spoons as a souvenir.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang suitably replied. He had, he said, to thank the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club for the honour of asking his wife to present the prizes. He was at a loss to understand why his wife should be chosen for that honour but he recalled that he and Mr. R. M. Dyer were intimate friends. In fact he had many friends at the Kowloon Dock, and even Mr. Dyer had said he was surprised at the warmth of the welcome to him. (Laughter.) Be that as it may he could say that he had always been made welcome at Kowloon Dock—more welcome than at any place in the Colony and equally as welcome as in his own

LADIES' GOLF.

R.H.K.G.C. COMPETITION DETAILS.

The draw for the Ladies' Championship of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, to be played on the old course, Fanning, (men's tees) has resulted in the following being paired:—Mrs. Rowley v. Mrs. Lewis; Mrs. Crawford v. Mrs. Lambert; Mrs. Sommerfelt v. Mrs. Parker; Mrs. Oliver v. Mrs. Ratsey; Mrs. Whyte-Smith v. Mrs. Gilmore; Mrs. Pearce v. Mrs. Piercy; Mrs. Redmond v. Mrs. Fitzroy-Williams; Mrs. Sheldon v. Mrs. Maitland.

The 1st Round is to be played on or before Jan. 21, the 2nd on or before Feb. 1 and the 3rd on or before Feb. 13, the Final to be played on a Sunday with an Umpire.

The championship will be under match play without handicap.

Captain's Cup.
The draw for the Ladies Captain's Cup (presented by the 1926 Captain, Mrs. E. B. Reed), to be played over 18 holes on the Old Course, Fanning, with 3/4 difference of handicap allowed, resulted as follows:

1st round: Mrs. Hegarty plays Mrs. Maitland; Mrs. Hornell plays Mrs. Piercy; Mrs. Redmond plays Mrs. Bridger.

Mrs. Murdoch, as bye, plays the winner of Mrs. Hegarty v. Mrs. Maitland.

Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Driedard and Mrs. Murray have also drawn byes.

The 1st round is to be played on or before Jan. 21, the second on or before Feb. 1, the third on or before Feb. 13 and the 4th on or before Feb. 24.

Further Competitions.
On Tuesday, January 25 there will be a Bogey Competition on the New Course at Fanning for a prize presented by Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E. Players may choose their own opponents and 3-4 handicap will be allowed.

Tomatoe Competitions, open to ladies who have paid their subscription of \$1, will take place on the Old and New Courses at Fanning on Tuesday, Feb. 22. A prize will be presented for the best round on each course and competitors may take their choice as to the course on which they play. Full handicap will be allowed.

native place. (Applause.)
Mr. W. Russell, K.B.G.C., was called upon but pleaded a bad cold and asked Mr. B. Wylie to deputise for him.

Mr. Wylie said that he was suffering from the same complaint all afternoon. His side had lost, and Mr. Russell was skip and he (Mr. Wylie) was No. 3. However, whilst his side had lost badly they had had a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

Fatal Tea Interval.
Mr. Duncan had, it was true, referred to the part "that the ladies had played as regards afternoon tea. There lay all the trouble so far as his rink was concerned (laughter). Up to tea time they had some prospect of winning, but after tea time they fell away badly. (Laughter.) Mr. Duncan had also referred to the mother Club; but on looking round at the rink opposed to him that afternoon he found great difficulty in differentiating between the members of the Bowling Green Club and the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club. (Laughter.) At the same time all the visitors had enjoyed themselves and were most appreciative of the hospitality of the Kowloon Dock. (Applause.)

Three cheers were called for the visitors on the call of Mr. G. Duncan, a "similar" compliment being paid the home Club at the instance of the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.

The Prize List.
The following is the list of Club prize-winners for the season:—

Club championship.—1st prize (presented by Mr. W. C. Shiner) S. Gray, 2nd prize (presented by Mr. J. Gibson) J. A. Lindsay.

Handicap singles (prizes presented by Mr. E. M. Dyer): J. A. Lindsay, 1; R. Lapsley, 2; J. C. Brown, 3.

Handicap Pairs.—1st prize (presented by Messrs. T. S. Morrison, H. H. Scott and A. M. McDougal) D. S. Neilson and H. G. Cooper; 2nd prize (presented by D. S. Neilson and Captain Kennedy and Messrs. J. Tully and S. L. Vellinga) E. Docherty and J. C. Brown.

Inter-Departmental Bowls Competition.—Won by the Drawing Office (W. M. Johnson, J. McLaggan, J. S. McIntosh, and J. V. Ramsay).

Tennis (American Tournament).—1st prize (presented by Mr. A. M. Simpson) Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Millard; 2nd prize (presented by Mr. David S. Neilson) Mrs. Cuthill and Mr. W. P. Hedley.

NARROW VICTORIES.

LOCAL LEAGUE CRICKET FEATURES.

Two of Saturday's six league cricket matches ended in victories by very narrow margins.

Only one match was drawn, the Hong Kong C.C. and Kowloon 1st XI's both proving too good for the respective bowlers.

Craigengower surprised the University, Recreio rather unexpectedly accounted for Civil Service "A" and the Indian Juniors had little or no anxiety against the Royal Navy 2nd XI.

League I.

KOWLOON v. H.K.C.C.

Visiting Kowloon, the H.K.C.C. 1st XI declared at 174 runs for 9 wickets. In less than 100 minutes, the K.C.C. made 99 for the loss of four wickets. Scores:—

H.K.C.C. 1st XI
A. W. Hayward, c. Jex, b. Goodwin 17
E. J. R. Mitchell, b. Goodwin 0
H. Owen Hughes, c. Macaskill, b. Goodwin 0

Goodwin 2, Macaskill 2, Lightfoot 2, Lyle 2, Bruce 2, Pearce 2, H. B. Hancock, not out 22
H. B. Hancock, not out 22
Extras 19

Total (for 6 wkts, dec.) 174
J. R. Hinton, A. C. I. Bowker, G. R. Vallack did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Goodwin 10 1 63 3
Lyle 10 1 25 1
Bruce 9 3 19 0
Pearce 6 1 21 1
Fincher 4 1 16 1

K.C.C. 1st XI
W. Bruce, not out 43
J. C. Lyle, b. W. P. Hedley 29
E. F. Fincher, b. Lightfoot 5
A. W. Ramsay, c. b. Bowker 12
S. Jex, b. Bowker 0
Extras 10

Total (for 4 wkts, dec.) 99
W. G. C. Goodwin, F. Goodwin, K. R. Macaskill, C. T. Evans, H. T. Buxton, N. H. Reed did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Bowker 10 1 31 2
Vallack 7 1 21 0
Lightfoot 5 2 20 2
Fincher 3 0 17 0

C.C.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

Craigengower (on their own ground) got rid of University for 145 runs and passed their visitors' total when nine wickets were down, thus winning by one wicket. Scores:—

University.
A. A. Rumjahn, c. Ismail, b. Hanson 49
S. V. Gittens, c. b. Hanson 81
R. P. Ng, run out 20
W. Hong Sing, b. Omar 0
E. Zimmer, b. Hanson 1
C. W. Lam, b. Hanson 1
D. K. Sun, b. S. Abbas 23
W. M. C. Gittens, b. S. Abbas 13
S. Kermani, b. S. Abbas 0
S. Hachima, c. Leonard, b. Y. Abbas 4
R. A. Penrose-Fane, not out 0
Extras 4

Total (for 9 wkts, dec.) 145
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Omar 10 1 28 1
Y. Abbas 5 0 32 1
Hanson 11 2 50 4
S. Abbas 6 3 25 3

Craigengower C.C.
J. W. Leonard, b. Lam 23
A. Hanson, c. S. V. Gittens, b. Rumjahn 0
S. Abbas, c. Hachima, b. Lam 36
D. Rumjahn, b. A. A. Rumjahn 10
U. M. Omar, c. S. Abbas, b. Rumjahn 10
J. Kitchell, c. Hachima, b. Rumjahn 0
B. W. Bradbury, not out 34
Y. Abbas, b. Rumjahn 5
R. Bass, b. Lam 4
G. White, not out 4
Extras 1

Total (for 9 wkts, dec.) 152
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Rumjahn 19 5 63 5
S. V. Gittens 21 0 21 0
Lam 11 1 44 0
S. Abbas 3 1 11 0
Hachima 1 0 18 0

CHINESE v. INDIANS.

Going to the Chinese R.C. ground, the Indian R.C. were able to declare at 164 runs for 7 wickets. The home side only mustered 70 and thus lost by 94 runs. Scores:—

Indian R.C.
A. H. Rumjahn, c. Ng Sze-kwong, b. Yeoh 4
J. S. Acker, c. Love, b. Nave 0
A. H. Mader, b. Yeoh 35
S. H. Ismail, c. Youngs, b. Yeoh 16
J. E. A. Curran, c. Chea, b. Hung 13
Y. A. Wahab, b. Yeoh 3
P. M. el Arculli, b. Yeoh 4
S. A. Ismail, not out 4
Extras 9

Total (for 7 wkts, dec.) 164
A. el Arculli, S. A. Hussain, A. Rahman did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Yeoh 14 1 64 5
Ching 11 1 41 1
Ng Sze-kwong 7 0 32 0
Hung 2 0 20 0

Chinese R.C.
C. Chea, c. S. H. Ismail, b. A. el Arculli 4
A. el Arculli 4
H. C. Hung, c. Mader, b. F. M. el Arculli 2
T. E. Yeoh, c. S. A. Ismail, b. F. M. el Arculli 2
Ng Sze-kwong, c. Rumjahn, b. F. M. el Arculli 5
A. el Arculli, not out 6
Wei Wing-jok, c. S. H. Ismail, b. Curran 0
H. L. Yung, b. A. el Arculli 2

SMALLER BALL.

MANUFACTURERS CONSULTED AT HOME.

London, Dec. 20.
After consulting cricket ball manufacturers and considering representations, the Sub-Committee appointed on Nov. 19 has decided to recommend to the M.C.C. that the minimum circumference of the ball should be 8 13/16 ins. and the maximum 9 ins. and that the law should be altered to that effect in 1927, but not enforced until 1928.

League II.

H.K.C.C. 2ND v. K.C.C. 2ND.

George Lee had the distinction of performing the "hat trick" and scoring 50 runs for Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI on the Club ground. The H.K.C.C. 2nd XI had declared at 166 runs for 9 wickets. Kowloon's juniors got the runs in about 90 minutes and won just on time with a wicket in hand. Scores:—

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI
H. J. Stevenson, c. Hancock, b. Hyde 2
A. K. Mackenzie, c. Hyde, b. Hancock 0
H. E. Standage, c. Green, b. Hancock 0
F. H. Orr, b. G. Lee 34
D. E. G. Nicholson, c. Morton, b. G. Lee 3
P. Jackson, b. Hancock 27
F. Sutton, c. Hyde, b. G. Lee 20
J. A. Summers, c. Morton, b. G. Lee 9
C. D. Wales, b. W. P. Hedley 0
J. C. Dunbar, not out 0
Extras 13

Total (for 3 wkts, dec.) 166
R. W. Lee did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Hancock 12 1 47 3
Hyde 8 0 41 1
G. Lee 7 4 27 5
Petheram 3 0 16 0
Raven 3 0 22 0

K.C.C. 2nd XI
A. A. Dand, b. Summers 2
G. Lee, c. Jackson, b. Summers 60
W. Hyde, c. Dunbar, b. Summers 4
A. R. F. Raven, c. Orr, b. Wales 45
R. E. Lindell, c. Mackenzie, b. Wales 13
J. E. Hancock, run out 18
B. Petheram, c. Mackenzie, b. Wales 18
A. J. V. Smith, c. Mackenzie, b. Wales 3
W. Morton, not out 7
D. S. Green, c. Mackenzie, b. Wales 0
F. G. Evisit, not out 0
Extras 14

Total (for 3 wkts, dec.) 171
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Wales 10 1 62 5
Summers 12 0 68 3
R. W. Lee 4 0 21 0
Dunbar 4 0 13 0

C.C.C. "A" v. RECREIO.
Another home team in Civil Service C.C. "A" lost, going down to Club de Recreo by 58 runs. Recreio declared at 174 for 5 and dismissed Civil Service "A" for 116. Scores:—

Club de Recreo.
H. M. Xavier, c. Westlake, b. Robert 7
H. A. Alves, c. Westlake, b. Robert 31
R. C. Reed, not out 4
J. E. Noronha, b. Paterson 17
M. F. Pigna, b. Paterson 0
F. H. Carvalho, run out 9
E. de Sousa, not out 49
Extras 17

Total (for 5 wkts, dec.) 174
D. F. Lopes, H. A. Barros, C. E. Marques, J. W. Barnes did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Westlake 5 0 19 1
Sara 8 0 59 0
Robertson 4 0 24 1
Paterson 11 1 31 2
Gorvin 6 0 17 0

C.C.C. "A".
F. Harper, c. Lopes, b. Pigna 12
R. C. Westlake, b. Marques 34
R. S. W. Paterson, c. Reed, b. Alves 2
H. F. Westlake, b. Marques 31
J. E. Nihili, c. Carvalho, b. Alves 16
R. G. Robertson, c. Noronha, b. Marques 0
W. F. J. Gorvin, c. Noronha, b. Marques 0
R. E. Davies, not out 35
T. Carr, b. Alves 4
C. Sara, c. Sousa, b. Reed 21
R. Jones, b. Reed 6
Extras 8

Total (for 5 wkts, dec.) 114
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Pigna 8 0 38 1
Marques 10 3 35 4
Alves 4 0 20 3
Reed 4 0 15 2
Noronha 1 0 2 0

Police v. VARSITY 2ND.
On their own ground, Police R.C. defeated University 2nd XI in a friendly match by 99 runs. Scores:—

Police R.C.
F. E. Bookers, c. Yeoh, b. Hiptoola 9
W. B. Meadows, c. Ong, b. Hiptoola 18
C. F. Alexander, c. Hiptoola, b. Sudan 17
A. E. Lacey, c. Sudan 19
Dr. Craig, c. Ong 27
T. H. King, c. Hiptoola, b. Burma 4
R. Gerrard, not out 4
Extras 15

Total (for 6 wkts, dec.) 177
Wagland, E. H. Dyer, P. Candan and another did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Sudan 17 1 84 2
Hiptoola 10 3 19 2
Ong 6 0 22



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Smartness of Detail



There is much to be said for the new silhouettes which ushered in the winter season. They are no longer found along straight and narrow lines, but follow a path of their own which leads to odd fullnesses and varying lines. Detail plays a most important role in the new season. It makes the costumes for street and sport really important in their somewhat limited silhouettes.

While a dolman sleeve, a bolero effect or puffed back may make the formal dress or afternoon frock distinctive, the simple sports or street dress relies upon its smartness of detail for its chic.

Fabrics, while beautiful in their assorted loveliness for the formal gown, find themselves falling upon the old familiar tweeds, jerseys and wool crepes for their appeal in the informal costumes.

Tweeds, right now, for the outdoor girl are particularly popular. They make charming ensembles in golf, walking or motor frocks in their tailored simplicity. Tweeds and homespun are following heringbone designs very smartly, while all sorts of odd checks, dots and figures also appear for effective costumes.

The jersey dresses in both one and two-piece modes are extremely popular and combine beautifully with velveteens or crepes, silks and retain an air of pleasing simplicity. The lovely warm autumnal tones are to be found in jerseys with green and wine shades predominating.

Crepella, a new fabric, is much used in the daytime fashions. It also combines smartly.

The two-piece models still lead in the new sports and street frocks. Skirts possess all manner of interesting detail in obtaining fullness. They may either boast a series of plaits, or plaits at the side, front or odd groupings of plaits all round. Jumper blouses may show huge floral decorations at the shoulder or a different collar or a new sleeve. They also may appear in contrasting fabric.

Pauline Starke, in "Not Herbert," a First National film, wears a new and very chic street costume possessing many interesting details which proclaim its newness.

Effective ornaments for the dressing-table are powder bowls and scent bottles in Venetian glass. They are obtainable in bright shades of orange, blue, and green. The handles of the bowls and the stoppers of the scent bottles are most decorative. They are made in glass in the form of a bright green leaf, bound up with a little posy of vari-coloured flowers.

Little Things of Great Interest.



To twinkle brightly in unexpected places is the important part allotted to jewels this winter.

They appear most unusually and in very odd shapes and sizes. It seems that the shoulder must be decorated at all costs. So, when the very large flower is not used, or the new ribbon bow is neglected, a jewelled ornament, most often in the shape of a lover's knot, appears very smartly at the left shoulder of the dress. These bright ornaments also make themselves seen at the waistline—low, of course, and to one side. They also ornament collar and cuff or find a snug resting place on the new winter hat.

The lovers' knot is not the only piece used as a decorative and useful ornament. The insect world has been invaded and many amazing figures in jewels now achieve a note of smartness on the new winter frock. They have succeeded the vogue of initials that made the frocks and accessories of last season so notable. Now a bee or a butterfly appears as a smart adornment on the hat or frock. They also perch smartly on the shoulder in a fluttering attitude.

Scarves again make themselves important in the mode. They are added in dashing tones to the sports outfit, or in harmonizing colours to the formal gown. In the evening scarves, the two-toned effects are exceedingly new. In just the right colour combinations they make a charming addition to the evening gown of importance. Gold and silver are frequently one of the colours in the new two-toned shawls with a fringe used that matches the contrasting shade.

Bags continue an important part of the ensemble. With street clothes the more simple types are chosen in either bag shape or envelope in either antelope or leather to match the costume. For the evening brocades or tapestries and embroidered bags are selected and are smartest when fastened by a precious jewel. Bags in general are smaller, except for travelling.

Flowers are decidedly important. They are longer than ever and give a lovely note of colour to the costume. When fresh, flowers are possible, they should be worn, as they impart a note of individuality. Chiffon flowers are very smart, however, and all posies, or combinations are popular just now.

Jewellery is always of first importance. At present it gives the keynote to the ensemble. Individuality, both in design and in the manner of wearing it makes the jewellery a matter of great discretion. Diamonds are the most important of jewels. They are much seen in earrings.

Earrings are worn universally at present. In groups of diamonds they are particularly striking. Pearls, too, are seen, as are the other jewels of a semi-precious nature which match the costume. And so, through the long and interesting list, the smart accessories of the day may be listed. They are always selected with care by the well dressed woman.

Anna Q. Nilsson, whose exquisite attention to detail is well known, wears her accessories with decided chic. Miss Nilsson appears showing many of the advance accessories for winter in her First National film, "The Masked Woman."

TWEEDS AND HOPSACKS.

Some of the tweeds look like duvetya, and the hopsacks appear as new fancy wool fabrics. Plain kid and fanciful stitches in two shades of cut-kid are a favourite trimming. Gazalla is used with weird effects in silver. Rabbit and other strange pelts are often introduced into tweeds, though two or three colours in kid or leather-work really seem more suitable than furs, however cleverly handled. Pretty results in belts or sashes for jersey frocks can be effected by ribbon, several shades of graduated widths being joined together. Some are laced by coloured embroidered strands. Often a similar bit of work is used for the plain felt hat or cap. Such fantasies require skilful handling to be light and decorative.

In a large number of nurseries a realistic farm consisting of over a hundred pieces is now to be seen in place of the Noah's ark so prized by every child a generation ago. The new toys are of very fine workmanship, and one of their advantages is that each piece can be purchased separately.

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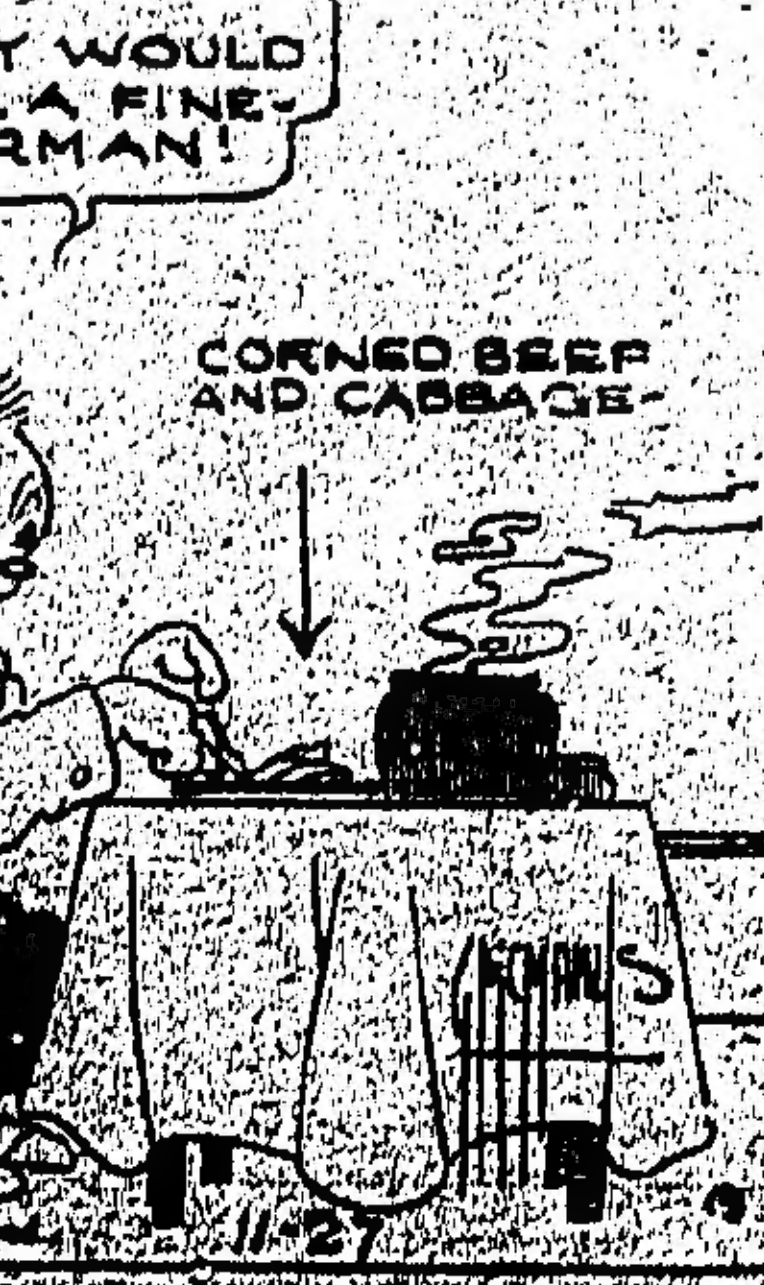
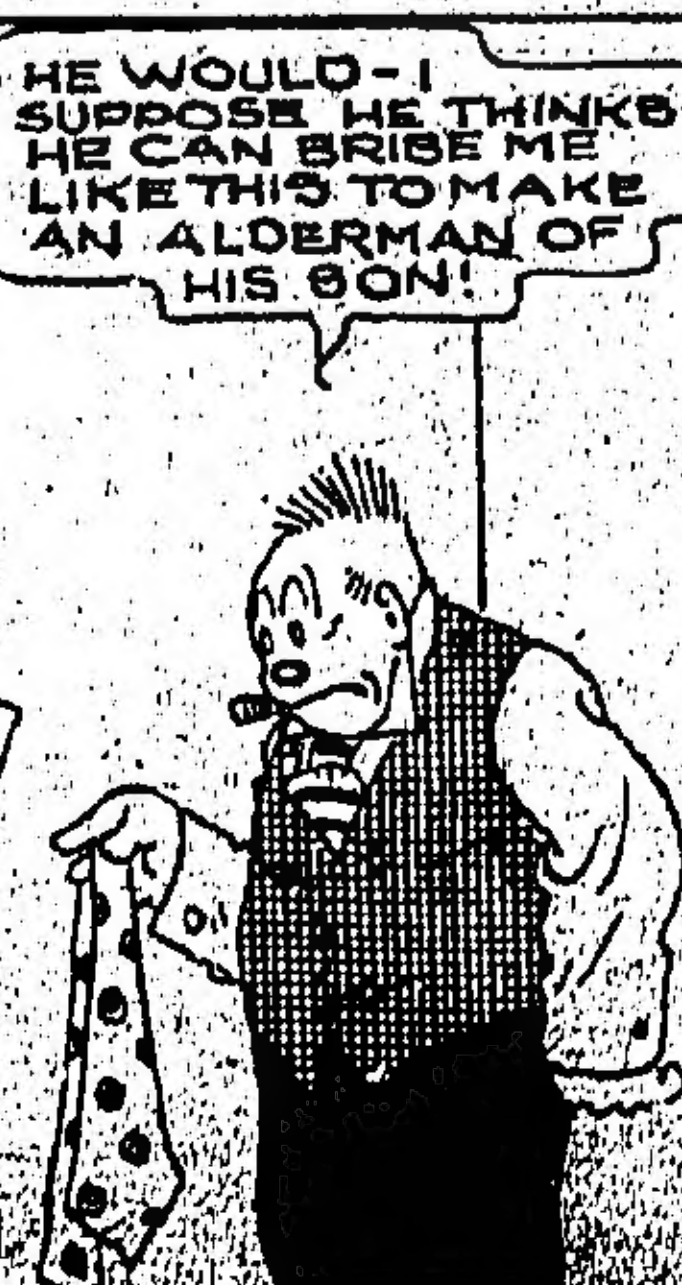
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Edward Donahoe, a farmer, has died at his residence, Dromard, Co. Longford, at the age of 101.

During October 413 persons, representing 960 souls, took up free grants of land in Western Canada, compared with 528 in October, 1925.

Mr. Frank Carter, retired after forty-six years' service in the Testing House at Portsmouth Dockyard, has never had a day's illness and never been late for duty during the whole period.

Camberwell Council, for their four public baths, are inviting tenders for 10,800 huckaback towels.

Sir Alfred Mond was the guest of the American Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon at the Hotel Cecil on Friday, December 17.

Blood poisoning set up by a gnat bite was stated by a doctor to be the cause of the death of Mrs. Harriet Wilson, 73, a widow, of Kirkwood Road, Chalk Farm, N.W.

As Mr. Godfrey Tearle is suffering from tonsillitis, the revival of "Aloma" at the Adelphi Theatre was postponed.

A man smashed the shop window of Messrs. Leon and Company, 9, High Street, Hampstead, N.W., seized a quantity of jewellery and ran away.

Mr. Bernhard Baron gave £50 and Sir Charles Wakefield, £25 to the Lady Mayors of London's Christmas Toy Fund, which amounted to about £200.

By a gas explosion a 4-roomed cottage, 30, Wellington Road, Deal, occupied by an elderly couple named Betts, was demolished, but they were not injured.

Mr. Fred E. Weatherly, writer of "The Holy City," "Thora," "Nancy Lee," "Roses of Picardy," and many other songs, sat as deputy county court judge at Trowbridge.

A Victoria Cross won by a German, Quartermaster Charles Wooden, of the 17th Lancers, in the Charge of the Light Brigade at Balaklava, was sold with other decorations for £125 at Glendinning's.

A large organisation for smuggling spirit into the Netherlands has been discovered at Elberfeld, in the Ruhr. Three persons have been arrested and £1,200 worth of liquor seized by the police.

Mr. Churchill has accepted an invitation to be the chief guest at the annual dinner of Oldham Chamber of Commerce on February 13. This will be his first visit to Oldham since he was its M.P.

Eighteen months' hard labour and 20 strokes of the "cat" was the sentence passed by Mr. Justice Ivory at Kent Assizes on Alexander Green, aged 23, for robbing a young woman with violence at Dover.

Successful experiments with "neon" night landing-lights at the Croydon air station have led to the permanent installation on the alighting-ground of a light tube sunk below ground level in a concrete trough, with a glass cover above it.

Mrs. Elsie May Knight, who in the Divorce Division was granted a decree nisi from Mr. Percy Austin Knight, a commercial traveller, was allowed to write down her address, as she alleged that her husband had threatened to shoot her, and said that she was afraid of him.



Benito Mussolini is shown pinning medal on a faithful Fascist at Bologna, Italy, where the sixth attempt on the Premier's life was made.

One hundred and sixty divorce cases have been disposed of at Manchester Assizes in two days.

Twenty more cases of smallpox have been notified in the Brandon district of County Durham.

The sale of the King's Windsor fat stock—33 fat cattle, 30 sheep, 31 pigs, and 1 calf—realised £1,992 10s.

The estimated direct loss in L.C.C. tramway revenue, due to the general strike, was stated at a meeting of London County Council to be £136,250.

An anti-vaccinator's challenge to accompany Dr. Holden, Blackburn's Medical Officer, through the smallpox hospital has been accepted on the condition that the anti-vaccinator is treated as a smallpox contact case.

Mr. David Reid, a noted judge, breeder and exhibitor of black-faced sheep, has died at Ballater.

The Pope has sent his blessing to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Perry, employed at Downside Abbey, Bath, on the occasion of their diamond wedding.

A five-year-old boy, William Gowan, Rush Hill, Bath, died in hospital from injuries received when his clothes became ignited by the flame of a candle.

By a majority of only 14—118 to 104, one of the smallest majorities recorded in this Parliament—the House of Commons refused permission to Brigadier General Charteris to introduce a Bill to extend the principle of local option to areas in Scotland where licences are owned by the State.



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POST OFFICE NOTICE.

LIST OF SHIPS EXPECTED TO BE IN WIRELESS
COMMUNICATION WITH HONG KONG TO-DAY
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Ixion, Agni, Anhai, Lompo, Shantung, Seijo Maru, Menade Maru,
Melfi Maru, Kwangtung, Docteur Pierre Benoit, Tonkin, Limchow,
Kaifu Maru.

Prohibition of exchange of clubbed letters between Hong Kong and
the following countries: China, Netherlands Indies, Federated Malay
States and Straits Settlements which was to come into force on the
1st January, 1927, will not come into force until the 1st April, 1927.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12.	
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	Tamara Maru
THURSDAY, JANUARY 13.	
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	Oanfa
Straits	Tilawa
FRIDAY, JANUARY 14.	
Japan, U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Sawa Maru
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Madison
Europe via Nopapatam (Letters only London 16th)	Talamba
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Cleveland
MONDAY, JANUARY 17.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Garfield
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18.	
Shanghai	Ansoers
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Flores
FRIDAY, JANUARY 21.	
Shanghai	Kashmir
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22.	
Manila	Pres. Madison
MONDAY, JANUARY 24.	
Straits	Kitano Maru

OUTWARD MAILS.

Destination	Time
Monday, January 10.	
Sandakan	3.30 p.m.
Manila & Parola for Germany via	
Hamburg	3.30 p.m.
Samsul and Wanchow	4.30 p.m.
Amoy	5 p.m.
Tuesday, January 11.	
Shanghai, Japan and Honolulu	10.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius &	
S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE	
via Marseilles—due Marseilles	
9th Feb. 1927. Registration 1.45	
p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m.	
Wednesday, January 12.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. &	
S. America & "EUROPE" via	
VICTORIA, B.C., due Victoria	
B.O. 30th Jan. & Europe via	
Siberia (Letters & postcards	
specialy superserated "Via	
Siberia only). Registration	
1.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m.	
Fort Bayard	
Swatow	
Wednesday, January 13.	
Sandakan	12.30 p.m.
Bangkok	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	5 p.m.
Thursday, January 14.	
Sandakan	10.30 a.m.
Hollow & Halphong	10.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	11.30 a.m.
Friday, January 15.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Noon
Hollow & Halphong	5 p.m.
Amoy	5 p.m.
Shanghai	5 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

BOY'S FALL.

Charge Against Indian
Watchman.

INSPECTOR'S STATEMENT.

Falling from a window thirty
feet above the level of the alley
way at the back of Whiteaway,
Laidlaw's premises on Sunday
afternoon, a Chinese youth, 17 years
of age, lies in a critical condition
at the Tung Wah Hospital.
The incident resulted in the ap-
pearance before Mr. R. E. Lindsell
at the Central Magistracy this
morning of a Sikh watchman, em-
ployed at Messrs. Whiteaway's
store, who faced a charge of assault
with intent to do grievous bodily
harm.
The accused man pleaded "not
guilty."
Chief Detective Inspector. Mur-
phy, prosecuting on behalf of the
Police admitted that the charge had
been framed hurriedly in order that
in dying deposition might be taken.
Fortunately, however, the youth's
condition was not as critical as
was at first believed.

Outlining the circumstances of
the Sikh's arrest, C. D. I. Murphy
said that according to the youth's
statement, he met the accused,
whom he had known previously in
Wanchai, in the lane behind the
cinema. Defendant offered to lend
the boy a bicycle for the purpose
of taking a ride and asked the lat-
ter to accompany him to his quar-
ters. When they reached the ac-
cused's room, the boy was pushed
inside and the door locked. Ac-
cused made certain overtures which
were resented and the boy, very
frightened, went to the window
with a view to climbing down into
the street. The accused at first
attempted to drag the boy back into
room, but finding resistance, deli-
berately pushed the boy out of the
window causing him to fall into
the road sustaining serious bodily
and internal injuries.

Story of a Burglary.
C. D. I. Murphy added that the
defendant appeared to have pro-
ceeded straight to the house of Mr.
A. O. Smith, the manager of Messrs.
Whiteaway's, where he reported
that another burglary had been at-
tempted. Upon his return to the
store the accused was arrested by
detectives who had been waiting for
him. The police would like the
Court to grant a week's remand in
police custody.

Defendant said that he did
not wish to make a statement at
present, but would like to secure
bail.

His Worship: Certainly not. I
should not consider any bail so
long as the boy is in hospital.
Accused was remanded until next
Monday.

COOK HOUSE FIND.

AN OPIUM SMUGGLER'S INGENUITY.

Described by Senior Revenue
Officer George Watt as having
been "cunningly" concealed in a
box fixed into the wall of a cook-
house, 19 taels of illicit opium,
discovered by the Revenue Officer,
caused an elderly widow to face
Mr. R. E. Lindsell on a charge
under the Opium Ordinance at
the Central Magistracy this
morning.
Defendant pleaded "guilty"
and his Worship imposed a fine
of \$2,000 or seven months' im-
prisonment.

MALICIOUS PROSECUTION.

A committee member of the
Chui Lap-wai (Licensed Haw-
kers' Guild) strongly denied a
charge of attempting to obtain \$3
by means of threats when
brought before Mr. Lindsell at
the Central Magistracy this
morning.

After hearing the complainant
and another witness, his Worship
ordered the defendant to be dis-
charged adding that the com-
plainant would pay the defendant
\$5 as compensation for malicious
prosecution.

TO BE BANISHED AGAIN.

Banished from the Colony six
weeks ago, a Chinese, charged be-
fore Mr. Schofield with returning
from banishment, was sent to jail
for nine months this morning. At
the completion of his term of im-
prisonment, he will again be
banished from the Colony.

FIRE PANIC.

Disaster in Montréal
Cinema.

OVER SIXTY DEATHS.

Montréal, Jan. 9.
A hundred people are reported to
have been killed in a fire in the
Laurier Theatre—Reuter.
Montréal, Jan. 9.
The death toll in the Laurier
Palace Cinematograph Theatre fire
is still uncertain, but it is now be-
lieved to be sixty, mostly boys and
girls apart from a large number of
injured due to a wild stampede for
the exits when the alarm was raised.
The fire which broke out in the
flooring of a balcony at two
o'clock in the afternoon, when there
was an audience of 1,200, was dis-
covered by a small boy whose
shrieks started the panic.
The fire brigade promptly ex-
tinguished the fire, and the theatre,
which is situated in a working class
quarter of the city, is comparatively
undamaged.
The victims are mostly French
Canadians.—Reuter.

PEAK TRAMWAYS.

COMPANY'S NEW ARTICLES CONFIRMED.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING.

New Articles of Association for
the Peak Tramways Co., Ltd.,
approved by a previous meeting,
were confirmed at an extraordinary
meeting held at the Hong
Kong Hotel this morning.
Mr. Henry Humphreys (chair-
man) presided. He was support-
ed by the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang,
Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. J. Scott
Harston, Mr. A. S. Gubbay (direct-
ors), Mr. G. Rapp (secretary),
and Mr. R. A. Wadson (the com-
pany's solicitor). Shareholders
present were Messrs.—S. F.
Chubb, W. Morley, J. A. Tarrant,
D. Wilson, J. H. Brister, J. M.
Wong, J. D. Humphreys.

The new Articles are similar to
the old subject to clerical altera-
tions and re-phrasing and to cer-
tain alterations of substance, de-
tails of which have been circu-
larised to shareholders.

After the secretary had read
the convening notice, the chair-
man proposed and Mr. J. H. Bris-
ter seconded that:

"That the regulations con-
tained in the printed document
submitted to the meeting and
for the purpose of identification
subscribed by the chairman
thereof be approved and adopt-
ed as the Articles of Association
of the Company in substitution
for and to the exclusion of all
existing Articles thereof."

This was carried unanimously
and the meeting terminated.

FREEMASONRY.

HONOUR FOR A HONG KONG OFFICER.

News has been received locally
that at its annual meeting on St.
Andrew's Day, in Edinburgh, the
Grand Lodge of Scotland conferred
on Rt. Wor. Bro. Dr. D. R. Black,
of Hong Kong, the rank of
Honorary Junior Grand Warden.
Lord Blythwood, the newly-in-
stalled Grand Master Mason of
Scotland, who succeeds the Earl
of Stair, conferred the honour on
Dr. Black.

Local members of Lodges un-
der the Scottish Constitution will
warmly congratulate Dr. Black on
his high honour in the Craft.

COINER SMUGGLES OPIUM.

When Taang Kwan was fined \$150
or three months' hard labour for
possessing illicit opium, by Mr.
R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magis-
tracy this morning, it was stated
that he had only recently completed
a term of three years' imprisonment
for being in possession of coining
machinery.

NINE MEN-LOSE BAIL.

Nine opium smokers who failed
to put in an appearance at the
Central Magistracy this morning
had their bail (\$5 each) estreated
by Mr. R. E. Lindsell who sent
the tenant of the house to jail for
six weeks.

MAGIC CARPET.

Flying Over And Under
Storms.

AIR LINER'S EPIC.

Rugby, Jan. 9.
With the arrival at Delhi yester-
day of the Air Minister, Sir Samuel
Hoare, and his wife, by air liner,
a notable achievement in civil avia-
tion has been accomplished.
In just 63 flying hours they have
flown 5,300 miles.
They left Croydon aerodrome at
dawn on December 27, and twelve
days after descended at Delhi at
the scheduled minute.
They could have arrived earlier,
but they spent some time sight-
seeing and testing the machines in
flight with one engine running.
The King and many others have
sent congratulatory messages on the
safe accomplishment of the in-
augural trip of the service.

Flying Over Volcano.
During the journey the Minister
and Lady Maud Hoare flew through
all kinds of climates over most of
the great capitals of the old world,
over most of its great rivers, over
mountains 5,000 feet high, over a
volcano, over many thousands of
miles of desert, and over a thousand
miles of sea.

Once they flew at a height of
9,000 feet to get above a storm, and
another time as low as 15 feet to
get under a storm.

The travellers received an official
reception on reaching Delhi.

The Air Minister expressed his
belief that as the service developed
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